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HAPPY NEW YEAR

PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

On behalf of the International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors and its officers I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and hope that health, wealth and happiness may come to everyone. We look forward to a great year in 2008 and here's hoping that everyone can add to their collections.

Just to remind you that if you sign up a new member in 2008 I will pay their dues for 2009. Sign up 3 members and I'll pay your dues next year. This copy of Bunyan's Chips includes a membership application on page 6 that you can copy and use. To answer a question, remember that according to the bylaws when a person's name appears in the secretary's report as a new member it is an "application". If no one objects then they become members at the end of 30 days from the date of publication.

Don't forget that your dues are payable to the secretary. Please see the secretary's report on page 2 for her address.

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EDITOR'S REPORT

As you will note we do not have a collector featured on page 1. That's because no one submitted anything. This is a great way to let your fellow collectors know about yourself and your collecting interests, maybe add to your collection, or even get rid of duplicates.

As always, I am looking for your ideas for articles for Bunyan's Chips. You name it and I can probably write an article on it. All I'm missing is your interest.

If your holidays have been like mine they were probably pretty hectic. Now I'm hoping to settle down and get the updated Guide Book completed and to the printer. I keep telling myself that I've made the last entries and then, like this past month, I've come across 51 new woods to add. I'm sure there are hundreds, if not thousands, of unlisted official and semi-official woods out there and if you know of some please send me a photocopy so I can include it.

Happy new year to one and all.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Happy New Year to All. I am personally looking forward to a year full of adventures, new friends and new memories. Well, we can always hope, can't we??

There are no new members to report this month. Please remember to keep promoting this wonderful, historical and affordable hobby of collecting wooden money.

Also, don't forget to mail in your \$7.50 dues by the end of January to Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

Thank You.

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – December 31, 2007

Regular Checking

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| Balance Forward | \$2,697.82 |
| Income | |
| Interest | 1.34 |
| Dues | 15.00 |
| Mail Bids | 71.41 |
| Balance Forward: | \$2,775.57 |

Regular Savings

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| Beginning Balance | \$2,562.21 |
| Interest | 4.30 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,566.51 |

Life Membership Savings

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| Beginning Balance | \$2,532.37 |
| Interest | 4.25 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,536.62 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

THE NORTHWEST TERRITORY SESQUICENTENNIAL

By Darrell Luedtke

No other event in American history, except for the U.S. bicentennial, brought forth more issues of wooden money than the commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the Northwest Territory.

The Northwest Territory was also known as the Old Northwest and the Territory Northwest of the Ohio River. The Northwest Ordinance, passed by the Continental Congress on July 13, 1787, provided for the administration of the territory and set rules for admission as a state. The territory included all the land claimed by the United States west of Pennsylvania and northwest of the Ohio River. It covered all of the modern states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin, as well as the northeastern part of Minnesota. The area covered more than 260,000 square miles.

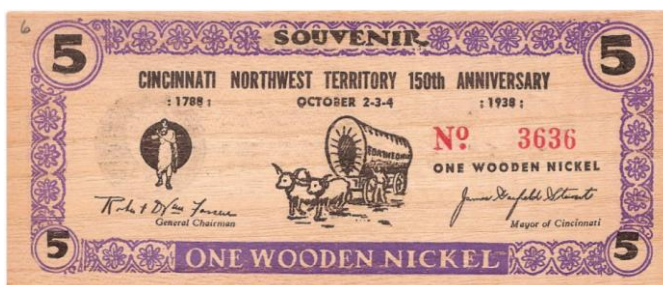
The Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers form the Ohio River at what is now Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and at this site an outpost known as Fort Duquesne, later Fort Pitt, was established to protect early travelers. The only means of fording the rivers was by ferry at Symmerals Ferry near the fort. From this point in 1788 the expeditions of men and provisions by flat boats began down the Ohio to a point near Marietta where an overland trail took settlers west.

It was a period of war and turmoil. The Indians resented the invasion of their lands and the French, seeing an opportunity to regain their prestige in the new world allied themselves with the Indians and many wars were fought over the land involving the French, Indians, Americans, British, and mercenaries from Spain, Portugal and left over Hessians from the Revolution. The Treaty of Greenville was signed at Fort Greenville (now Greenville, Ohio) on August 3, 1795 between a colation of Indians and the United States. It put an end to the Northwest Indian War. The United States was represented by General Anthony Wayne, who defeated the Native Americans and razed their villages a year earlier at Fallen Timbers, just south of Toledo, Ohio. In exchange for goods such as blankets, utensils and domestic animals with a value of \$20,000 the Indians turned over to the United States large parts of modern-day Ohio, the future site of Chicago and the Fort Detroit area.

In 1938 many counties and cities issued wooden money commemorating the Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial. These pieces were rectangular flat, round, and even octagonal in shape depending on the desires of those issuing them. The colors were many, making them perhaps the most colorful of any single commemorative series.



Simeral's Ferry, Pennsylvania later became West Newton. It issued 3 wooden flats - 5¢ red, 10¢ green and 25¢ blue. A companion piece of green was known as the Girl Scout house. It was issued by the Girl Scouts and bore a picture of a Scout troop cabin.

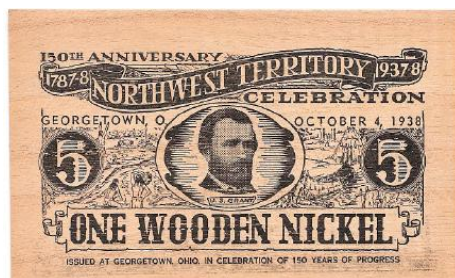


In alphabetical order, the following Ohio locations which issued commemorative wooden money:

Chillicothe, Ohio - 5 wooden flats - 5¢ Series B (green), C (red), D (purple), E (brown), F (green/rose).

No series A series exists.

Cincinnati, Ohio - There were 42 wooden flats, each having 2 colors. All were 5¢ with one set bearing a so-called thick 5 and a set bearing a so-called thin 5. Then again they were identified as having a block "No." or a script "No." preceding the serial numbers, plus some which did not have serial numbers. In 1943, 38 more issues of those described above were re-issued and stamped "I Am an American Day". In all, 80 different pieces complete this series.



- Circleville, Ohio – 2 wooden flats - 5¢ green, orange.
- Columbus, Ohio – 3 wooden flats - 5¢ orange/blue and gray/ blue with block “No.” and gray/blue without serial numbers.
- Fayette County (Washington Court House), Ohio – 2 wooden flats - 5¢ green with numbers, without numbers.
- Ft. Recovery, Ohio – 1 wooden 2½” round - 5¢ green
- Gallipolis, Ohio, 1 paper 2½” round - 5¢ silver
- Georgetown, Ohio - 7 wooden flats - 5¢ black/black, black/green, green/green, green/black, red/red, red/green, green/red.
- Greenville, Ohio - 6 wooden 2¾” rounds - 5¢ black, green, red, purple, orange, brown. There was also a 10” x 10” sheet showing the obverse of the above listed pieces plus the reverse of all pieces in gold.
- Hamilton, Ohio - 5 wooden flats - 5¢ red/blue, blue/red with block “No.”, red/blue, blue/red with script “No.”, blue/red without prefix.
- Jackson, Ohio - 1 wooden flat - 5¢ red/blue
- Lima, Ohio – 1 wooden flat - 5¢ red/green
- Logan County (Bellefontaine), Ohio – 3 wooden flats - 5¢ black, blue, green.
- Logan County (Bellefontaine), Ohio – 3 wooden flats - 5¢ black, green, blue.
- Mansfield, Ohio - 4 wooden flats – 5¢ series A (green), B (orange), C (blue), D (brown).
- Marietta, Ohio - 18 wooden flats – 5¢ blue, green, red, brown, orange, orange/green with large red numbers, the same colors with small red numbers, and the same colors with small blue numbers on the flats. In addition, there were 12 wooden 2½” rounds - 5¢ black, blue, blue-red, green, brown, orange with 13 stars and the same colors with 23 stars.
- Mt. Vernon, Ohio – 1 wooden flat - 5¢ green
- Norwood, Ohio - 3 wooden flats - 5¢ orange/green, one with block “No.”, one with script “No.”, and one without the prefix.
- Piqua, Ohio - 13 round 2½” woods - 5¢ in various colors and borders, a 2nd set consists of 2 octagon shaped 2½” woods in various colors and borders.
- Portsmouth, Ohio - 10 wooden flats - 5¢ Series A (green/black), B (red/black), C (blue/black), D (maroon/black), E (pink). These were issued in both horizontal and vertical grain.
- Springfield, Ohio – 3 wooden flats - 5¢ blue, green, red. (A side note to these woods is that the building custodian got possession of the excess pieces that were not sold. He gave them out to Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and various youth clubs. If one of these youngsters presented him a Wooden Nickel downtown, he would buy them an ice cream cone. There were several bundles of these pieces stored in his home basement. He found out years later that termites had eaten them and all the extras were destroyed.)
- Warren, Ohio - 6 wooden flats – 5¢ black/green, 10¢ blue/green, 25¢ red/green, with “No.” prefix and “A” prefix.



Two locations in Indiana issued commemorative wooden money:

- Muncie, Indiana – 6 cardboard flats - 5¢ blue, green, red, maroon and purple.
- Plymouth, Indiana – 10 wooden flats - 5¢ blue/yellow, blue/orange, brown/yellow, brown/orange, green/yellow, green/orange, maroon/yellow, maroon/orange, silver/yellow, silver/orange

Apache Junction, Arizona Lost Dutchman Days

By Darrell Luedtke

There is a story behind every wooden nickel and this article will brief you on the Lost Dutchman, the Lost Dutchman Mine, and the Superstition Mountains. Apache Junction, Arizona has celebrated their Lost Dutchman Days Festival in February every year since 1965. They issued wooden nickels from 1975 through 1986.

Jacob Waltz, according to documents, was born near Oberschwandorf, Wuttenburg, Germany around 1810. He immigrated to America around 1839, arriving first in New York City and then traveled to the goldfields of North Carolina and Georgia and he then made plans to travel west to the goldfields of California.

Jacob Waltz arrived in California about 1850. His name appears on several California census records. He prospected and worked as a miner in the mother lode country of California for eleven years, working as a miner on the San Gabriel River for a man named Ruben Blakney. It was probably here he met Elisha M. Reavis, later to become the "Hermit of Superstition Mountain."

Waltz departed California in 1863, with a group of prospectors headed for the Bradshaw Mountains of Arizona Territory. Waltz was one of the earliest pioneer prospectors in the Bradshaw Mountain area between 1863-1867.

Jacob Waltz moved to the Salt River Valley in 1868 and filed a homestead claim on 160 acres of land on the north bank of the Salt River. He was known as the Deutsch man, Deutsch being a German word for German, but it was shortened to Dutchman. It is from here Waltz began his exploratory trips into the mountains surrounding the Salt River Valley. Old timers claim Waltz prospected every winter between 1868 and 1886.

The question still remains. Did Jacob Waltz have a rich gold mine in the Superstition Mountains? According to which stories you believe, when Jacob Waltz was on his deathbed he decided to confess his sins. He stated that several years earlier he came upon 2 soldiers who had discovered a vein of pure gold that would make millionaires out of 100 men. He confessed that he killed them and buried the gold in 3 places. He told a confidant, Julia Thomas, to take the box from under the bed and to open it. It reportedly contained over 80 pounds of pure gold. Jacob Waltz claimed his mine was located where no other miner or prospector would search for gold. Waltz died in Phoenix, Arizona Territory on October 25, 1891 in the home of Julia Thomas.

Shortly after Waltz's death Julia Thomas and 2 men traveled to the Superstition Mountains to locate Waltz's rich gold mine. Ironically Julia Thomas and the men walked over the rich gold deposits at Goldfield in September of 1892 without discovering them. The rich Black Queen was discovered in November of 1892 and the rich Mammoth Mine was discovered on April 13, 1893. The Mammoth Mine produced about three million dollars worth of gold bullion in four years.

Were it not for the death of amateur explorer and treasure hunter Adolph Ruth, the story of the Lost Dutchman's mine would have likely been little more than a footnote in Arizona history as one of hundreds of "lost mines" rumored to be in the American west. Ruth disappeared while searching for the mine in the summer of 1931. His skull -- with two bullet holes in it -- was recovered about half a year after he vanished, and the story made national news, sparking widespread interest in the Lost Dutchman's mine.

The two hundred and forty-two square miles of rugged terrain found in the Superstition Wilderness makes it a difficult task to systematically search or prospect in the region. Most professional geologists will insist there is little geological evidence to suggest a rich gold deposit could exist in these volcanic mountains. However, a recent US Geological Survey applied a mercury vapor test over the Superstition Wilderness Area and found the region to be highly mineralized. It is possible that some of these minerals are gold, some of it reached the surface, and Jacob Waltz found it.

Prospectors and treasure hunters continue their search of this vast mountain wilderness for gold and lost treasure and more than 100 died trying. Stringent rules for prospecting have limited their activity in recent years, but still they come to search for the gold vein that Waltz found, the 3 caches of gold he buried, and other valuable minerals. The United States Department of Agriculture closed the Superstition Wilderness Area to mineral entry, at midnight, on December 31, 1983, to comply with the National Wilderness Act approved by Congress in 1964.

And that is the story behind the Lost Dutchman Days wooden nickels that Apache Junction issued.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WOODEN MONEY COLLECTORS (IOWMC)



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Membership Application: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Name: _____

Street Address or PO Box: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Area of Collecting Interest: _____

Sponsor: _____ (Secretary Use Only) No. _____

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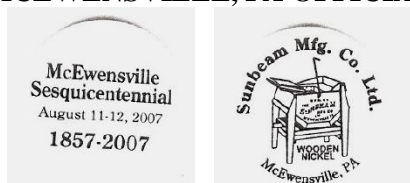
- A place to make friends with other collectors and learn about wooden money.
- Eleven issues of the organization's newsletter, Bunyan's Chips. The newsletter has information on the organization, historical articles on wooden money, where to write for new issues, monthly mail bids, and useful information for both the novice and dedicated wooden money collector.
- Camera ready ads accepted free of charge from members. Buy, sell or trade wooden money.
- Annual meeting at the ANA convention.

C.C. OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD

To order send 50¢ for each wood plus Large SASE or bubble mailer to the Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, PO Box 2991, New Bedford, MA 02741.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MO

The Montgomery County Soil & Water Conservation District issued 2 wooden nickels to honor the Montgomery City Sesquicentennial. On a tip from Ken Paulsen I called 573-564-2262, ext. 3, and spoke to Brenda. She has fewer than 10 sets left at \$1 per set plus SASE. Order from Montgomery County SWCD, 1013 S. Sturgeon, Montgomery City, MO 63361.

MCEWENSVILLE, PA OFFICIAL

McEwensville, PA issued an official wooden nickel to mark their sesquicentennial in 2007. They are green in color and available for 25¢ each plus SASE. Order from Pam Cooper, PO Box 125, McEwensville, PA 17749.

MERCHANT WOODS FOR SALE

Hundreds of merchant woods from all states for sale (or trade for PA that I need). Herman M. Aqua, 100 Dunn Street, Forty Fort, PA 18704. email h.aqua@verizon.net

TRADE

Gary Beckstrom has fire and police patches to trade. Write to Gary R. Beckstrom, 89 Lark Circle, York, PA 17404.

CRESTON WOODS FOR SALE

2007 Creston, Ohio Ox Roast & Fish Fry wooden nickel. 50¢ each plus SASE. 1985-2006 issues also available for 50¢ each plus SASE. 2006 Steven Sherer International Director of the Lions Clubs is 75¢ each plus SASE. 2005 marriage wood for John Bowers & Barbara Bouman is 35¢ plus SASE. Please add additional postage if ordering more than 2 woods. Order from Wilbur Bowers, 106 Hemlock Drive, Creston, OH 44217.

COLONIAL CRAFT FAIR WOODS

The Middletown Area Historical Society held its annual Colonial Craft Fair on June 9th and 10th, 2007 and issued 2 woods for the event. The woods are black in color and can be ordered from the society for 50¢ a set plus SASE or sufficient postage. To order write to the Middletown Area Historical Society, PO Box 248, Middletown, PA 17057.

HERSHEY COIN CLUB WOODS

Hershey Coin Club read the article about the listing of coin clubs that have issued woods and responded with a list of woods that it has issued from 1966 through 2007. The club has woods available for almost every year at varying prices. 1966 to 1989 are mostly dollar size with some exceptions, 1990 through 2007 are all nickel size, some flats are also available. Contact Neil College, 42 Hitz Lane, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

WEYAUWEGA HORSE & BUGGY DAYS

Weyauwega celebrated its 47th annual Horse & Buggy Days on September 7th & 8th with the issuance of another official wooden nickel. These are available for 50¢ each plus SASE from Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING JANUARY 31, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the November mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 1 - \$11.50, 2 - \$7.50, 4 - \$5.00, 5 - \$8.00, 6 - \$10.00, 7 - \$12.00, 8 - \$25.00, 10 - \$45.00, 11 - \$45.00, 12 - \$30.00, 13 - \$45.00, 15 - \$40.00, 25 - \$25.00, 26 - \$35.35, 27 - \$17.17, 28 - \$50.00, 30 - \$9.00, 31 - \$18.00. Total = \$488.52. 10% to IOWMC = \$48.85. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

ILLINOIS FLATS - 1/3 PRICE BLOW-OUT NEVER TO BE SEEN AGAIN – POSTAGE TO BE PAID BY BUYER

Bloomington, 1950, Centennial - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Blue Island, 1935, Founding Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$15.00)
 Boone County (Belvidere), 1935, Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$25.00)
 Cairo, 1938, Ohio River Bridge Dedication - complete set of 4 (MB \$ 6.50)
 Casey, 1953, Centennial - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Centralia, 1953, Centennial - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 East Moline, 1953, Golden Jubilee - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Elgin, 1935, Centennial (**First official issue for Illinois**) - complete set of 3 (MB \$30.00)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Centennial Hall Series - complete set of 8 (MB \$13.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, John Evans Series - complete set of 8 (MB \$13.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Glencoe Series - complete set of 5 (MB \$8.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Glenview Series – BR, GR, OR, RD (MB \$1.50 each)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Lady Elgin Series - complete set of 8 (MB \$13.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Light House Series - complete set of 8 (MB \$13.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Lunt Series - complete set of 8 (MB \$13.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, McGow Series - complete set of 8 (MB \$13.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Old College Series - complete set of 8 (MB \$13.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Skokie Series - complete set of 5 (MB \$8.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Willard Series – BL, BR, GR, OR, PU, RD (MB \$1.50 each)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Wilmette Series - complete set of 5 (MB \$8.50)
 Evanston, 1951, Centennial, Winnetka Series - complete set of 5 (MB \$8.50)
 Freeport, 1940, Festival – complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Grundy County, 1941, County Centennial - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Highland, 1937, Plating Centennial - 5¢ Blue (MB \$5.00)
 Kankakee, 1953, Centennial - complete set of 9 (MB \$15.00)
 Kewanee, 1939, Tri-County Pageant - 5¢ Black (MB \$1.50)
 Kewanee, 1949, 3rd Annual Hog Days - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Lansing, 1954, Centennial - complete set of 2 (MB \$3.50)
 Lincoln, 1953, Centennial - Lincoln 7½¢ Brown (MB \$1.50)
 Lincoln, 1953, Centennial – House 5¢ Brown (MB \$1.50)
 Lincoln, 1953, Centennial – House 7½¢ Blue, Brown (MB \$1.50 each)
 Mercer County, 1942, July 4th Celebration - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Moline, 1948, Centennial - Looking Ahead - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Moline, 1948, Centennial – Special Issue – PU, OR (MB \$1.50 each)
 Murphysboro, 1950, Centennial - complete set of 8 (MB \$19.00)
 Nauvoo, 1946, Grape Festival - 10¢ Red (MB \$1.50)
 Oak Park, 1951, Golden Jubilee - complete set of 8 (MB \$13.50)
 Paris, 1953, 13th Decade Jubilee, 13th Decade Jubilee (MB \$2.00)
 Paris, 1953, 13th Decade Jubilee, Citizens Nat'l Bank (MB \$2.00)
 Paris, 1953, 13th Decade Jubilee, Edgar Co. Nat Bank (MB \$2.00)
 Paris, 1953, 13th Decade Jubilee, Mid-State Beverage (MB \$2.00)
 Quincy, 1939, Quinsippi Celebration - complete set of 3 (MB \$1.50)
 Rantoul, 1941, Four-Day Fourth Celebration - 5¢ Black (MB \$1.50)
 Rantoul, 1954, Centennial – complete set of 9 (MB \$15.00)
 Richland County (Olney), 1941, Centennial - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Rockford, 1952, Centennial - complete set of 2 (MB \$3.50)
 St. Anne, 1950, Community Centennial - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Springfield, 1937, 100th Anniversary of Selection as Capital - complete set of 3 (MB \$7.00)
 Streator, 1950, Corn-ival, Sept 17-24, S, 5¢, Green (MB \$5.00)
 Streator, 1950, Corn-ival, Sept 17-24, T, 5¢, Green (MB \$5.00)
 Streator, 1950, Corn-ival, Sept 17-24, R, 5¢, Green (MB \$5.00)
 Streator, 1950, Corn-ival, Sept 17-24, E, 5¢, Green (MB \$5.00)
 Streator, 1950, Corn-ival, Sept 24-17, A, 5¢, Green (MB \$5.00)
 Waukegan, 1935, Founding Centennial, 5¢, Black (MB \$20.00)
 Williamson County, 1939, Centennial - complete set of 6 (MB \$12.00)
 Woodford County(Eureka), 1941, Centennial - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Woodstock, 1952, Centennial, Second Issue - complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Woodstock, 1952, Centennial, Third Issue - 5¢ Red (MB \$1.50)

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on January 31, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132

Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors.
- (2) All lots will be sold to the highest bidder above minimum bid (MB).
Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (3) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (4) **Postage will be paid by the buyer in this mail bid.** Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (5) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (6) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment terms.



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Dear Members,

It is with regrets that I inform you of the untimely passing of Bill Snider's son, James, who was only 45 years old. He passed away on Saturday, January 19, 2008 in Louisville. He left behind his loving companion, Vicky, a daughter Brandy, and son Shane. Our prayers go out in support of the family.

Dave Hunsicker wrote an article for the November issue of Milwaukee Numismatic News, official publication of the Milwaukee Numismatic Society. He stated that collecting wooden money can be interesting and challenging and he encourages collectors to pick a state and start collecting for fun. He wrote that while "wooden nickels are not necessarily valuable some can be very challenging to get". Thanks for getting the word out Dave.

I want to thank everyone who has been contributing to the update of the new Guide Book. Work is progressing but I just found another 100+ new officials that need to be added and it has taken me some time to track them down so they can be listed.

Don't forget that your dues are payable to the secretary. If you haven't paid by February 29th you won't get next month's issue. Please see the secretary's report on page 2 for her address.

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EDITOR'S REPORT

What a wonderful new year it has been. I am sorry that the newsletter is late but let me explain. The temperatures have ranged between -13 and +62, we had 34 inches of snow, and we even had a tornado thrown in for good measure. I volunteered my (and my chain saw's services) for one day to clean up after the tornado. I managed to paint my entire house and entertained guests over the holidays. Unfortunately when the last guest left my old 30 gallon electric water heater died so I replaced it with a 40 gallon gas unit which meant adding a gas supply, vent duct and changing the water supply because someone before me put the union before the shut-off. However, it gave me an opportunity to install a FloodStop leak detection and automatic shut-off unit in the supply. Then we had a thaw and my sump pump went out and had to be replaced. I finally settled in to get to work on Bunyan's Chips and just as I was about done the hard drive on my computer gave out. I was without a computer for about 10 days and when I got it back I had to start from scratch. If you factor in having to move snow 45 of the past 68 days, including this past Wednesday's 19½ inches, I've been a little busy.

I am also thankful for all the Christmas cards and Christmas woods that people sent. May of you called and gave me some wonderful ideas for future articles. In fact, some members wrote articles that I'll include in this issue. A big hug goes out to all of you.

As soon as this issue is sent out I'm going to seriously start picking woods for everyone who sent me their want lists.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

There are no new members to report this month. Please remember to keep promoting this wonderful, historical and affordable hobby of collecting wooden money.

Also, don't forget to pay your \$7.50 dues by the end of January to Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

Thank You.

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – January, 2008

Regular Checking

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Balance Forward | \$2,775.57 |
| Income | |
| Dues | 194.00 |
| Interest | 1.09 |
| Mail Bids | 51.35 |
| Balance Forward | \$3,022.01 |

Regular Savings

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|-------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$2,566.51 |
| Interest | 3.44 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,569.95 |

Life Membership Savings

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|-------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$2,536.62 |
| Interest | 3.40 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,540.02 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

CUT TO THE CHASE

By: John Hoffman

My wife, the professional writer and linguist of the family, would say this means *Get to the Point*. Me, the family collector, might tweak it slightly to mean *Get to the Exciting Part...The Chase* of collecting, of course!

Along with all the other exnumia collectibles in my hobby, my *woods* focus is on four clustered counties in central California including, of course, Merced County where Mary and I have called home for the past 35 years. While I am a serious advanced collector of the older, metal trade tokens, I am perhaps a bit unusual in that I find modern trade tokens and related items comparably exciting.

In my experience it seems that the interests of many members of IOWMC and other *woods* collecting groups tend more towards accumulating personal issues, completing club and other organizational sets, and so forth. I also have a few of these in my collection, but it's because they are tied to my collecting region.

For all my collecting years I've been hoping without, it seems, too much success, that more collectors would become interested in modern trade and advertising *woods* and related *exnumia*. More attention to geographical collecting would no doubt help to uncover more collectibles, would expand the number of knowledgeable collectors looking for these items, and could greatly expand trading of these pieces between motivated collectors.

My collecting interests have increasingly submerged me into local history, back as far as the 1880's for my older trade tokens. However, it's the modern pieces that not only provide connections to the area but also to people I meet every day. Plastic, cardboard, and of course *wood* trade tokens and advertising pieces are collectibles with which I can almost immediately establish a bond most of the time with even non-collectors from the area.

'Wow, that's a place I used to go and hang out at when I was a kid.'

'Hey, that's the place my wife and I first met.'

'Boy, they had the greatest happy hours I've ever been to.'

Interestingly, some of the biggest challenges finding pieces for my collection have involved *woods*. A lot of old metal tokens were lost in many areas, and metal detecting efforts have been turning these up consistently for decades. Woods and almost all other modern pieces wouldn't survive such abuse of course!

Over time I've heard of quite a few earlier *woods* issued in the region. Rarely have I ever found any of them, and even less often have I had the chance to obtain them. That's why the last few months have been magical for me – I encountered two different Merced woods for the first time, both issued more than 20 years ago, and was able to add them both to my collection!

The first was issued by the local Dairy Queen Drive-In that disappeared from our landscape soon after my wife and I moved to Merced, at least 30 years ago. It was sold to and converted by Taco Bell into one of their many outlets still operating today on the same site.

For nearly twenty years I had in my collection a solitary example of what I assumed was the only wooden trade token ever issued by our Merced Dairy Queen, with bright red lettering promising the bearer 'half-price off' on a Quarter Pound Hamburger at its Merced G Street location. Imagine my amazement when, at a recent area coin show, I found in a neglected group of woods a similarly-designed but black-lettered wood offering 'half-price off' on Any Size Sundae.

Just a few weeks later I received a telephone call from a local resident who I'd given my card to at a coin show a couple of years ago. Her 86 year old mother had recently passed away, and in a drawer she found a wooden 40¢ token from Ro's Tavern in Merced, a local bar closed at least 20 years ago. I had received a few tentative references to such a piece a few times over the years, but during that entire period carried a "REPORTED NOT CONFIRMED" notation in my database. That's where I keep a record of regional issues and, on rare occasions, get the opportunity to change a designation from NOT CONFIRMED to FOUND!

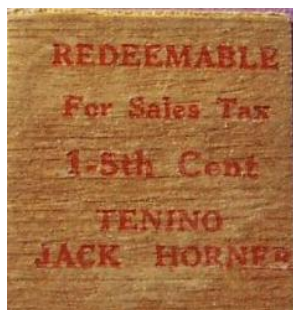
In both these cases I look forward to conversing with local people about these finds in the future, as I have with the Merced Wurst 'free cup of coffee' wood I found several years ago after more than 15 years of looking. I didn't collect woods when this coffee shop operated for less than a year in the early 1970's, literally months before Mary and I arrived with our family in Merced. Or the Millheim Motors wood, the only one I've ever seen. Recently added to my collection, it is Good For Free Ride In the New 1958 Pontiac at its showroom location at 16th & J in downtown Merced, a site that lost this car company decades ago.

These and all the other pieces in my collection offer tangible bits of local history and have the ability to promote a slew of memories, or maybe some tales, of days gone by in the area. They can foster interest in photographic evidence of when and where they were located and of the people who operated them, even related collectibles and additional informational bits pertaining to the business operations themselves... it can turn into a lifetime of challenge and enjoyment and, as I always insist, a continuing treasure hunt every day of my life!

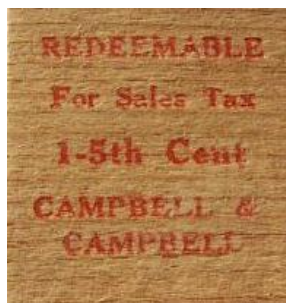
AN OPEN LETTER FROM BILL MANIFOLD

Hey, People – let's give Darrell and the other IOWMC officers a helping hand. There are some who pay their dues, then with some pride announce I am a "member". That's as far as it goes. It also takes member **participation** to keep a club functioning. Surely you can spend ½ hour to an hour to write a short article. Could be a certain wood in your collection and how you acquired it, a short bio and how you got started collecting woods, how you store your collection, size, a special interest or even a question. I'm sure someone among our membership can furnish the answer. Officers do their best, but can't do it alone. From past experience as secretary, treasurer and president of various clubs and organizations over the years I know without member involvement it is doomed. You don't have to be a professional author so grab your pen or pencil and jot down your thoughts. Thanks - Bill

RECENT EBAY SALES



Tenino, Washington
Jack Horner Sales Tax Token
Red obverse, blank reverse
Sold for \$112.49



Tenino, Washington
Campbell & Campbell Sales Tax Token
Red obverse, blank reverse
Sold for \$43.99

Bethalto, Illinois Centennial Wooden Nickels of 1954 Submitted By Norman Fletcher



BANKER TAKES WOODEN NICKELS – Man in center with the interest-collecting smile on his face is Harold Prange, cashier of Bethalto National bank, members of Bethalto centennial “wooden nickel” committee chuck wooden nickels at him. Wooden nickel commemorative pieces are backed with money from the bank. Members of the committee, from left, are Preston Hendricks, Edward W. Plegge, Earl Helmkamp and Don Best. Plegge is wearing the wedding suit of his father, the late Edward C. Plegge. – Staff photo.

Wooden Nickles Go into Circulation Around Bethalto

BETHALTO – Bethalto’s First National Bank will be taking wooden nickels from now until the opening of the local centennial celebration which is set for Sept. 3, 4, 5 and 6.

In addition, all business institutions in Bethalto will take wooden nickels, the mine run inhabitants of Bethalto will take wooden nickels and, it is hoped, a sizable chunk of the outside world will take wooden nickels, too.

It is not that the local bankers and business community have forsaken the traditional “Hard-headedness” of the canny businessman and harbor hopes that their backsliding will spread abroad; its just that 15,000 commemorative wooden nickels, to mark the community centennial, have arrive here and from now until Sept. 2 the wooden discs will be accorded the same respect in these

parts as that commanded by real money.

Members of the centennial “wooden nickel” committee hasten to assure the public that it is not about to have 15,000 wooden nickels crammed down it’s cheer-ful little throat. Arrangements have been made with the local bank to redeem at par value any and all of the wooden nickels on request. In short, they are backed with hard cash.

The “wooden nickel” committee consisting of Preston Hendricks, Ed Plegge, Earl Helmkamp, Don Best, and Louis Ricks, contends, however, that the wooden nickel venture will prove to be profitable to the centennial committee, which needs forth-coming celebration.

The game works out somewhat like musical chairs. The music goes round and round and eventually somebody is standing there holding a wooden nickel. If that somebody

happens to want to retain it as a commemorative piece, the committee does not have to redeem it and a nickel is gained.

Local business establish-ments, which were buying the nickels at par value Friday night and this morning, will issue them (with restraint) as change.

“A couple of nickels in a handful of change”, Leslie Prehn, chairman of the centennial celebration committee said.

“That way, those who want to keep them may do so. Those who don’t want to keep them can use them for subsequent purchases or get cash for them at the bank.”

The profit, plus the publicity value, which in itself is expected to burn out the bearings on the cash registers at the centennial homecoming in September, will depend upon the number withheld from circulation.

WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT

By: Glenn Willis, Jr.

Mykayla (8, a Brownie) and Amelia (5, a Daisy) both from Home Schooling Girl Scout Troop 726 in Redondo Beach, California, worked with their father from Woodclaver Construction, (CSLB #484658), to raise funds for the Wounded Warrior Project. In two days of the November Costa Mesa show, at a table donated to the cause by the Crossroads of the West Gun Show, they managed to raise \$901.44. Mykayla and Amelia dressed up in uniform to make their requests, and gave "Support Your Troops" wooden nickels as "Thank You" tokens to donors. They were very excited to help the injured soldiers through the Wounded Warrior Project. You can check out their project on line: <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>.

If you would like to make a donation to the Wounded Warrior Project and receive one of the wooden nickels, please send a donation to Wounded Warrior Project, c/o Woodclaver Construction; 2510 Spreckles Lane; Redondo Beach, CA 90278. Please make any checks to Wounded Warrior Project. With your donation please include an SASE. Thank You for your support.



This is what the red "Thank You" wooden nickel looks like

A BRIEF HISTORY OF SNOWFLAKE, ARIZONA

By: Darrell Luedtke

I knew that Snowflake, Arizona had issued 4 wooden nickels on the centennial of its founding in 1978 and I often thought that the city derived its name from a "snowflake", as in "snow". I guess I never looked at the reverses of the wooden nickels. I accessed their website and here is what I learned.



William J. Flake and his family were sent by Brigham Young of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints to help the Mormon colonies settle in Arizona. After selling all of his land in Beaver, Utah, he and his family sacrificed all they had to settle in Arizona. However, all of the good land was occupied. They had a strong desire to settle on the Silver Creek. The area was owned by a man named James Stinson. He wanted \$12,000 for his ranch which occupied the area of the Silver Creek. The Flake family was determined to go to the ranch on Silver Creek even though they didn't have enough to pay for the place. After negotiating with Stinson, William Flake had the price reduced to \$11,000 in cash. The property was to be paid for with Utah grade cattle (all Arizona cattle were of Mexican breed). They took possession of Stinson Valley on July 21, 1878.



After William Flake purchased his ranch, Mormon settlers began to move to the new settlement. Erastus Snow was the Mormon apostle in charge of Arizona colonization, so part of the settlers wanted to name the town for him; others wanted to name it Flake. Erastus Snow visited the settlement and two days after sent back a message naming the new Silver Creek settlement Snow Flake.

Inscription on the old monument at the Main Street LDS Church: On July 21, 1878, six Latter-Day Saints and their families settled in this valley. They were William J. Flake, (Leader of the group) James M. Flake, James Gale, Jesse Brady, Alexander Stewart and Thomas West. They purchased their property of James Stinson a Non-Mormon colonist, who settled here in 1873, and named the settlement Snowflake in honor of Erastus Snow and William J. Flake.

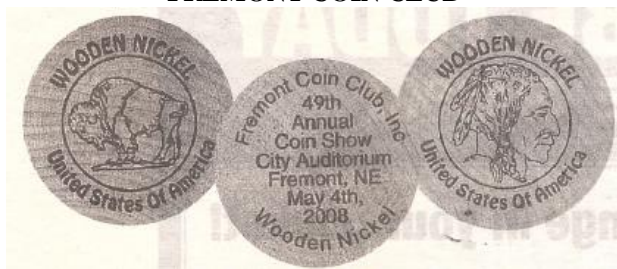
So, the long and short of this story is that Snowflake was named after a Mr. Snow and a Mr. Flake!

C.C. OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD

The Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, Massachusetts has issued a new wooden nickel for its December 20, 2007 coin show. To order send 50¢ for each wood plus large envelope or bubble mailer with sufficient postage to the Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, PO Box 2991, New Bedford, MA 02741. Remember to ask for past issues.

CHARLESTON COIN CLUB

The Charleston Coin Club of Charleston, West Virginia has issued a new wooden nickel for its November 3 & 4, 2007 coin show. To order send 50¢ for each wood plus an SASE to the Charleston Coin Club, c/o Donald K. Clifford, PO Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177-0065. A limited supply of older issues is still available. Request a listing if interested.

FREMONT COIN CLUB

The Fremont Coin Club of Fremont, Nebraska has issued 2 new wooden nickels for its upcoming May 4, 2008 coin show. To order send 30¢ for each wood plus an SASE to The Fremont Coin Club Inc., c/o/ William H. Passick, 1253 East 19th Street, Fremont, NE 68025-3268.

SCARBOROUGH COIN CLUB

David Bawcutt, President of the Scarborough Coin Club of Pickering, Ontario wrote that the club was founded in 1975 and has issued one wooden nickel from 1980 through 1982 and two every year since, for a total of 34 woods. The 2007 promoted their 32nd anniversary on one side and has the club's logo on the reverse. You can order a complete set of all 34 woods for \$15.00 per set, postage included by writing to the Scarborough Coin Club, PO Box 562, Pickering, Ontario L1V 2R7. They have 50 members and 10 newsletters per year. If you interested in joining please write to David.

HERSHEY COIN CLUB WOODS

Hershey Coin Club read the article about the listing of coin clubs that have issued woods and responded with a list of woods that it has issued from 1966 through 2007. The club has woods available for almost every year at varying prices. 1966 to 1989 are mostly dollar size with some exceptions, 1990 through 2007 are all nickel size, some flats are also available. Contact Neil College, 42 Hitz Lane, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

PESONAL WOOD

Glenn Willis Jr. has offered his personal business wood to anyone who wants one. Send an SASE to Glenn Willis Jr., Woodclaver Construction Int'l, 2510 Spreckles Lane, Redondo Beach, CA 90278.

MERCHANT WOODS FOR SALE

Hundreds of merchant woods from all states for sale (or trade for PA that I need). Herman M. Aqua, 100 Dunn Street, Forty Fort, PA 18704. email h.aqua@verizon .net

TRADE

Gary Beckstrom has fire and police patches to trade. Write to Gary R. Beckstrom, 89 Lark Circle, York, PA 17404.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING FEBRUARY 29, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the December mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 10 - \$2.00, 12- \$10.00, 13 - \$6.00, 15 - \$8.75, 17 - \$20.00, 19 - \$7.50, 20 - \$7.00, 21 - \$7.50, 22 - \$10.00, 23 - \$10.00, 24 - \$7.50, 25 - \$3.00, 26 - \$11.50. Total = \$110.75. 10% to IOWMC = \$11.07. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

The January mail bid was very interesting and I received more bids than I ever have, sometimes 5 or 6 for each lot and in many instances it came down to checking the postage cancellation to see who the first bidder was. It must be because the prices were about 1/3 of "book" price. Let's try it again. These are all official 1½" rounds and minimum bid is 50¢ each. POSTAGE TO BE PAID BY BUYER

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| 1. CA/Fort Jones/1972/Centennial/Black | 56. MI/Bloomingtondale/1970/Centennial/Purple |
| 2. CA/Hawthorne/1969/California's Bicentennial/Black | 57. MI/Coldwater/1961/Centennial/Red/With # |
| 3. CT/New Britain/1971/Centennial/Black | 58. MI/Otter Lake/1973/Centennial/Black |
| 4. GA/Ft. Ogelthorpe/1963/Chicamauga Centennial/Black | 59. MI/Spring Lake/1969/Centennial/Black |
| 5. GA/Johnson County/1958/Centennial/Black/Small Ind. | 60. MI/Uby/1971/Diamond Jubilee/Black |
| 6. GA/Pulaski County/1958/Sesquicentennial/Red | 61. MO/Appleton City/1969/City Fair/Black |
| 7. GA/Toccoa/1974/Centennial/Black | 62. MO/Fairport/1969/Centennial/Black |
| 8. GA/Toccoa/1974/Centennial/Blue | 63. MO/Moberly/1966/Centennial/Purple |
| 9. GA/Toccoa/1974/Centennial/Red | 64. MO/Sedalia/1960/Centennial/Black |
| 10. GA/Vidalia/1990/Centennial/Blue | 65. NE/Arlington/1969/Centennial/Black |
| 11. IL/Ste. Marie/ND/Sesquicentennial/Black/Buffalo | 66. NE/Bartley/1986/Centennial/Black/TUIT |
| 12. IN/Brownstown Area/1966/Sesquicentennial/Red | 67. NE/Beemer/ND/Diamond Jubilee/Black |
| 13. IA/Adel/ND/Town and Country Fair/Red | 68. NE/Bruno/1988/Centennial/Red |
| 14. IA/Sioux Rapids/1955/Centennial/Green | 69. NE/Daykin/1987/Centennial/Black |
| 15. KS/Ashland/1959/Diamond Jubilee/Black/Large Ind. | 70. NE/Fremont/1956/Centennial/Black/July 23 |
| 16. KS/Concordia/1971/Centennial/Red | 71. NE/Fremont/1976/USA Bicentennial/Blue |
| 17. KS/Dresden/1988/Centennial/Black | 72. NE/Gibbon/1971/Centennial/Black |
| 18. KS/Howard/1961/Kansas Centennial/Black | 73. NE/Laurel/1968/Diamond Jubilee/Black/10¢ |
| 19. KS/Ellinwood/1953/Diamond Jubilee/Black/Small Ind. | 74. NE/Lindsay/1988/Centennial/Black |
| 20. KS/Ellinwood/1953/Diamond Jubilee/Red | 75. NE/Lushton/1987/Centennial/Black |
| 21. KS/Ellsworth/1961/Centennial/Black | 76. NE/Malmo/1967/Nebraskaland Celebration/Red |
| 22. KS/Formosa/1987/Centennial/Green | 77. NE/Merrick County/1958/Centennial/Black/Aug. 21 |
| 23. KS/Hays City-Ellis County/1967/Centennial/Black | 78. NE/Nebraska City/1969/Arbor Day Celebration/Green |
| 24. KS/Isabel/1987/Centennial/Black/Small Indian | 79. NE/Scribner/1971/Centennial/Black |
| 25. KS/Kinsley/ND/80 th Anniversary/Black/Small Ind. | 80. NE/Shelton/1967/Nebraska Centennial/Black |
| 26. KS/Kinsley/ND/80 th Anniversary/Black/Buffalo | 81. NE/Shickley/ND/Diamond Jubilee/Black/Large Ind. |
| 27. KS/Latham/1985/Centennial/Black | 82. NE/Snyder/ND/75 th Year/Red |
| 28. KS/Lindsborg/1985/Mid Summer's Day Festival/Blue | 83. NE/Unadilla/1971/Centennial/Black |
| 29. KS/Kindsborg/1990/Mid Summer's Day Festival/Green | 84. NE/Union/1987/Centennial/Green |
| 30. KS/Linn/1977/Centennial/Black | 85. NE/Valley/1975/Valley Days/Black |
| 31. KS/Maple Hill/1987/Centennial/Black | 86. NE/Virginia/1987/Centennial/Black |
| 32. KS/Peabody/1971/Centennial/Red | 87. NE/Wausa/1990/Centennial/Blue |
| 33. KS/Pittsburg/1976/Centennial-Bicentennial/Black/Buff. | 88. NE/Weston/1976/Centennial/Red |
| 34. KS/Prairie View/1989/Centennial/Blue | 89. NH/Lee/1966/Bicentennial/Red |
| 35. KS/Preston/1987/Centennial/Black | 90. NY/Penfield/1960/Sesquicentennial/Black |
| 36. KS/Rexford/1988/Centennial/Black | 91. NY/Round Lake/1968/Centennial/Brown |
| 37. KS/Russell/1961/90 th Anniversary/Black | 92. ND/Minot-Ward County/1986/Centennial/Black/50¢ |
| 38. KS/Russell/1961/90 th Anniversary/Blue | 93. OH/Hardin County/1983/Sesquicentennial/Blue/With # |
| 39. KS/Russell Springs/1987/Centennial/Black | 94. OH/Leetonia/1966/Centennial/Blue |
| 40. KS/St. Francis/1963/Diamond Jubilee/Black | 95. OH/Salem/1956/Sesquicentennial/Black |
| 41. KS/St. John/1979/Centennial/Black | 96. PA/Frackville/1976/Centennial/Black |
| 42. KS/Salina/1958/Centennial/Black/5¢ | 97. PA/Franklin Area/1968/Centennial/Black |
| 43. KS/Salina/1958/Centennial/Green/5¢ | 98. PA/Hummelstown/1962/Bicentennial/Purple |
| 44. KS/Salina/1958/Centennial/Red/5¢ | 99. PA/Red Lion/1980/Centennial/Red |
| 45. KS/Salina/1958/Centennial/Black/NV | 100. PA/Speers/1994/Centennial/Black |
| 46. KS/Salina/1958/Centennial/Green/NV | 101. PA/Watsontown/1976/Fourth of July/Red |
| 47. KS/Shawnee/1956/Centennial/Red | 102. PA/Wheatland/1971/Sesquicentennial/Brown |
| 48. KS/Strawn/1972/Centennial/Black | 103. PA/York County/1999/250 th /Green |
| 49. KS/Turon/1986/Centennial/Black | 104. TX/Denison/1972/Centennial/Blue |
| 50. KS/Weskan/1987/Centennial/Black | 105. TX/Denison/1972/Centennial/Green |
| 51. KS/Wichita/1970/Centennial/Black | 106. TX/Denison/1972/Centennial/Red |
| 52. MA/Bellingham/1969/250 th Anniversary/Black | 107. VT/Bradford/1965/Bicentennial/Green |
| 53. MA/Lanesborough/1996/Bicentennial/Blue | 108. VA/Stafford/1964/Tricentennial/Black |
| 54. MI/Alamo Township/1976/Bicentennial/Red-colored in | 109. WV/Mercer County/1987/Sesquicentennial |
| 55. MI/Bloomingtondale/1970/Centennial/Red | |

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on February 29, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors.

Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.

- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.

- (3) Postage will be paid by the seller in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.

- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.

- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment terms.



BUNYAN'S CHIPS



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PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

I want to thank everyone that promptly paid their annual dues. If you haven't already done so, please do it now. Please make your check payable to "IOWMC" for \$7.50 and mail it to Maurina Boughton, IOWMC Secretary, PO Box One, Macedon, NY 14501-0001. She will note your paid status, issue a membership card, and forward the check on to Del Cushing, Financial Secretary. If you make it out to "Bunyan's Chips" we will have to return it to you. If you make it out to one of us individually we will have to cash it and then write out a check to Del. Thanks for your understanding.

With sorrow I report the passing of member Charles Warnstedt. I do not have any information, other than having received his last newsletter back with "Deceased" stamped on it. May we add our thoughts and prayers to those of his family and friends.

Don Chambers reports that Rita has been hospitalized for some time with a series of problems. She is out of intensive care and we wish her a speedy recovery. I am sure that she would appreciate a car. Her address is: Rita Jean Sledz, 5175 Gloria Street, Wayne, MI 48184

I want to thank everyone for their positive feedback. Through members and sources we have been able to track down new woods that are available for a nominal fee. The last couple of mail bids have been resounding successes with almost all lots being bid on and sometimes up to 5 bids on the same lots. It's obvious that members still want affordable woods so we'll see what we can do for you. Also, please note that not all of these woods belong to me. I run the mail bid and put in about 24 hours per month for which the seller receives 80%, IOWMC receives 10% and I receive 10% for running the mail bid. When I run the mail bid and list my own woods I receive 90% so I ship them free of charge. Collectors who sell woods usually add postage so be sure to check to see if shipping is included.

Darrell Luedtke, President

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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ANY CLUB OFFICER WITH ANY CLUB-RELATED BUSINESS

EDITOR'S REPORT

I don't know about you, but I'm ready for spring. Last night we had another 4 inches of snow, which brings us up to about 80 inches and counting – and the average annual snowfall is only 49 inches. We haven't seen "average" temperatures in 2 months. Would anyone in a warm climate like to have a guest for a while? I've been working on my house and I am thinking seriously of moving to a warmer climate before next winter. If you want to call and tell me about how nice your weather is please do so. People do it all the time and it doesn't bother me anymore. If you would like to chat, I have free 24/7 phone service and I can call you back on my nickel. (Remember when phone calls from a phone booth were a nickel? Remember when there were phone booths?) I'd really like to hear from you to hear what you collect and any ideas you may have for articles for Bunyan's Chips.

Some members have taken the time to call and discuss what they collect and what they'd like to see in Bunyan's Chips. For that I thank you because it gives me ideas for articles. One new member said that he was confused by my using the words "official", "semi-official", "common" and "maverick" in articles. Sorry about that. I forget that we acquire new members from time to time and they are not familiar with the terms we use. I have included an article to explain these terms.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

It sure is Winter here in Rochester, New York. The snow is making a daily appearance except when the temperatures get down in the single digits. The coldest days bring the brightest sunshine, the bluest sky, and the crisp clear air.

We have some new members and some returning members to report this month:

RETURNING MEMBERS

Dreux Watermolen R-2430
PO Box 302
Madison WI 53701-0302

Lawrence Grinder R2432
545 South Street
Waveland MS 39576

NEW MEMBERS

John Muench R2429
1405 17th Street
Barron WI 54812
Sponsor: Pat Babbitt

Don M. Pearson R2431
2881 Peasine Trail (October – March)
Lakeland, FL 33810
540 Lee Avenue (April – September)
Woodstock, Ontario, Canada N4S 6Y5
Sponsor: Darrell Luedtke
Interests: City, State and Official Rounds and Flats

Allan R. Lacy R2433
3065 Greenfield Drive
Marietta GA 30068

DUES DUES DUES DUES

Still have some folks that haven't paid your dues. Dues are \$7.50 payable to IOWMC. Send to our Secretary, Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon NY 14502.

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – February, 2008

Regular Checking

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| Balance Forward | \$3,022.01 |
| Income | |
| Interest | 1.16 |
| Mail Bids | 57.01 |
| Sub-total | \$3,080.18 |
| Expenses | |
| Editor (Bunyan's Chips) | 167.69 |
| Balance Forward: | \$2,912.49 |

Regular Savings

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| Beginning Balance | \$2,569.95 |
| Interest | 3.44 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,573.39 |

Life Membership Savings

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| Beginning Balance | \$2,540.04 |
| Interest | 3.40 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,543.42 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

A DAIRY QUEEN UPDATE

By: Bob Brown

Back in September at the wooden Money swap Beet in Heritage, PA I was given the following Dairy Queen wood by Russ Daisley. At the time I thought it was just a duplicate of one of the several Greenville, PA Dairy Queen woods that were listed in my book "A PICTURE GUIDE BOOK OF THE DAIRY QUEEN WOODEN TOKENS". When I finally got around to examining it more closely I found that it was a different variety. It has a type 5 obverse and it is the traditional red in color.

Also shown below is an Orange Julius token. Although this is not a Dairy Queen token the Orange Julius stores are a part of the Dairy Queen chain of eating places. In my book in the story of the Dairy Queen restaurants both the Orange Julius and the Karmelkorn establishments are mentioned. This token is black on both sides.

I want to thank Russ Daisley for this contribution to the Dairy Queen book. The Orange Julius token was one that was in my collection but had not been listed before.

If anyone has any Dairy Queen tokens to report please send me good clear copies of the token, or the token itself if you are willing to part with it, and I will see that it is listed in a future Dairy Queen update and will see that you get credit for the information. Send all information to me at P. O. Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034 or call me at 717-944-9586.

Thanks to all that have contributed in the past.



THE WOODEN NICKEL THAT ALMOST WASN'T

By: Darrell Luedtke

One of the coin clubs that I belong to is the South Shore Coin Club of Milwaukee. At a recent meeting I was talking to Walter Weis, who is responsible for ordering the wooden nickels for the annual coin show. I told him that I had a complete set. He asked me if I had any duplicates for the 2nd annual coin show in 1965, as that was the first year that the club issued wooden nickels and many club members were looking for it for their collections. I gave him several and made him very happy. However, I asked him if the first wood was issued for the second show in 1965 how come I had a wood for the 1st show in 1964. He told me an interesting story, as follows. The club issued woods for their several of their annual shows when someone asked why, if this was going to be an annual event, there wasn't a wood issued for the first show in 1964. So what did they do? They printed woods for their first show.

In 1976 the club wood honored the USA bicentennial, the 1987 wood honored the US Constitution, and the 1989 wood honored the Statue of Liberty, making all 3 semi-officials. Other woods honored the Eisenhower centennial (1991) and the Golden Anniversary of Mount Rushmore (1992).

The club will be enjoying their 44th annual coin show on April 3/5, 2008 and they will again be issuing a wooden nickel. Perhaps their most interesting year of issuances was in 1996, their 32nd annual coin show, when they issued an Indian and buffalo in each of 8 different colors, for a total of 16 woods. If you want a wood from this year's show, please send me an SASE – NOW BEFORE THE SHOW - I will get try to get you one free of charge. Walter has back issues available at 25¢ each so if you need one please let me know which ones you need and I will see what I can do for you. Send requests to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132.

PRINTING WOODEN MONEY

By: Darrell Luedtke

Coin World magazine recently asked for information about wooden nickel printers so they could run an article in a future issue. The following is part of what I sent to them.

The history of wooden money goes back to 12th century England when tally sticks were used to record amounts of deposits. 2 sticks were lined up with each other and notches were cut in both pieces, with one stick given to the lender and the other stick given to the borrower. When the loan was debt was paid off both sticks were destroyed. There was an issue of wooden money made of thin bamboo in Tibet during the 12th century. From 1849 to 1860 several private issues of wooden money were produced in Reichenberg, Austria. In 1920 Hadersfield, Austria issued wooden money that was "Good as currency in the town". This was followed up by other issues in St. Polten, Tusefeldon, and Sell bei Zelhof, Austria also in 1920. China had several issues of wooden (bamboo) money starting with the Chien Lung Dynasty (1735) and continued until about 1936.

Over the years many cities have issued wooden money to honor their centennials, festivals and fairs. From 1931 to 1955 these were generally of the "flat" variety that was thin and ranged in size from 2" x 4" to 2" x 6". In the mid-1950's several printers of wooden money entered the market and offered round 1½" and 2" wooden nickels that would become the industry standard. Because they were less expensive, their printing was no longer limited to "official" issuance for centennials, fairs and festivals. Soon coin clubs, businesses and individuals began issuing these relatively inexpensive wooden nickels.

Their uses have yet to be exhausted. Wooden money has been used as advertising promotions for restaurants, coin club shows and anniversaries; as personal announcements for such events as weddings and births; and as holiday greetings, just to name a few uses of wooden money. Some merchants still issue woods that are redeemable for minimal value in cash, goods or services as a promotional gimmick. You just might see wooden nickels show up as giveaways at political rallies, county and state fairs functions and anything else you can think of to celebrate or remember. One of the most popular ways is to send personalized holiday greetings to friends and relatives.

Today we are lucky to live in an era when the printing of wooden money can be done for anyone for any reason and they are relatively inexpensive.

The Old Time Wooden Nickel Company may be one of the oldest manufacturers of wooden money. The company started making woods in 1948 and hasn't looked back. On an average day the company receives 15 to 20 orders and prints about 20,000 wooden nickels or roughly 5 million woods per year. Each wood costs about 10 cents to produce from maple and birch hardwoods. The company also serves as host for the wooden nickel museum in San Antonio where the company is located. The company prints 2 sizes of round and 3 sizes of thin flat wooden nickels with standard and custom designs in black and colored versions. Their prices range from as low as \$45.00 per 150 (\$108 per 1,100) for 1½" rounds with stock designs on one side and a custom printing on the other. You can write to them at 345 Austin Road, San Antonio, TX 78209. The company has a unique internet feature that allows you to design your own wooden nickels on-line. Their internet address is at <http://www.wooden-nickel.com/>.

Canada Wide Woods has been printing wooden money for many years. They print 2 sizes of rounds and 1 size of flat wooden nickels with standard and custom designs in a unique hot stamped process that embosses bright colors. Their prices range from as low as \$85.00 per 100 (\$300 per 1,000) for 1½" rounds for stock designs on one side and a custom printing on the other. The company also offers unique 2" heart, 2¼" country, 2½" heart designs and very unique rabbits and bears. They are the only printer that can add magnets and pins to the reverses. You can write to them at General Delivery, Gadshill, Ontario N0K 1J0. Their internet address is www.canadawidewoods.com.

Canada Wide Woods is a member of IOWMC and, although their prices are a little higher, they put out a quality product that is unmatched anywhere.

“OFFICIAL”, “SEMI-OFFICIAL” AND OTHER TERMS

By: Darrell Luedtke

First, if you collect wooden money you are considered a “Lignaderist”. You may specialize in wooden money that is from your own state, coin clubs, businesses (McDonald’s, Dairy Queen), subjects (lighthouses, animals), organizations (Rotary, Lions, veterans organizations), and many other areas. The joy of collecting wooden money is because I cannot think of another hobby that documents national, state and local celebrations, that uses wooden money for Christmas and business cards, and on which people can express their personal views of politics and the world. It is also a hobby that many coin collectors branch off into because it is inexpensive to the casual collector.

There are many reasons for wide disparities in the prices of wooden money and they all center around availability and condition. For example, earlier woods demand a premium because they are old and were not made in large quantities. A wooden flat that was made prior to 1955 was made in limited numbers was easily broken and so it commands a premium. (Note that if a series of 5¢, 10¢ and 25¢ flats were made the 5¢ flats were generally made in larger numbers than the 10¢ and the 10¢ cent was made in larger numbers than the 25¢ flats.) Wooden rounds were generally made in larger numbers and were not easily broken. Some modern festivals may issue up to 10,000 round woods. However, at the same time, they may not be available outside the immediate area so even though they were issued in large numbers they can be considered rare to the collector.

“Official” wooden money was issued for an official function or event such as a centennial, fair, rodeo, etc. by an official organization representing a state, county or city. This official organization could include the state, county or city itself or a Chamber of Commerce. Although the Chamber of Commerce is a business advocacy group and usually not associated with government, any wooden money issued by a Chamber of Commerce is considered “official”. On the other hand, wooden money issued by veterans’ organizations, Rotary, Lions, and so on is not considered “official”.

“Official” flat wooden money is issued for an official function or event such as a centennial, fair, rodeo, etc. by an official organization representing a state, county or city. The John Rogers Company of Fostoria, Ohio printed wooden money for the Chamber of Commerce and at the start of the event they arrived at the town square with a jail cell. If the men were not wearing a beard, or the ladies were not wearing a gown and bonnet, they would be “jailed” and have to pay a small fee to get out of jail. This fee usually went to the Chamber of Commerce to cover expenses. Festive times were had by all. Many events have been marked by the issuance of “official” flat wooden money. Official flat wooden money is generally priced at \$5 and up but rarities have been known to sell for up to \$1,000 each. Note that the wooden money issued by

“Official” round wooden money is issued for an official function or event such as a centennial, fair, rodeo, etc. by an official organization representing a state, county or city. It is more recent than the flats and cheaper to produce and it has been issued for many different types of events. Official round wooden money is generally priced at \$2 and up.

“Semi-official” wooden money is issued by a business, organization or individual for an official function, but is not an official organization representing a state, county or city. This includes woods issued by Sambo’s, coin clubs, and individuals for a city’s centennial, the USA bicentennial, bicentennial of the US Constitution, centennial of the Statue of Liberty, and so on. They appear in “flat” and “round” varieties and, since they may be issued by the thousands, are generally more readily available. Many events have been marked by the issuance of “semi-official” wooden money. Semi-official wooden money is generally priced at 50¢ and up.

“Common” wooden money is a diverse grouping including those issued by coin clubs, businesses, organizations or individuals as promotions, advertisements, Christmas greetings, etc. There are literally thousands of businesses, clubs, and individuals that have issued common wooden money to advertise and promote themselves or events. Common wooden money is generally priced at 10¢ and up.

“Maverick” wooden money includes anything that cannot be identified as to its origin. There are many maverick pieces of wooden money, some of stock design. Many of these pieces are for pure enjoyment. Mavericks are generally priced at 1¢ and up.

There are over 5,000,000 wooden nickels printed every year so start collecting now and enjoy!

BUFFALO, IOWA'S 175TH ANNIVERSARY

By: Darrell Luedtke

In 1983 Buffalo celebrated its sesquicentennial and issued a wooden nickel. I recently had contact with Dana Jo Smith, Council Member about the city's upcoming 175th anniversary of its founding. The celebration will take place on July 4th and 5th and will be entitled "Buffalo or Bust". I am happy to report that they have decided to issue a wooden nickel to commemorate the occasion. I will keep you up to date on its issuance as time goes by. Meanwhile, here is a history of Buffalo.

Buffalo, Iowa was the first town in Scott County, settled by Captain Benjamin W. Clark in December, 1833 and was named in honor of Buffalo, N.Y. Following is how it happened:

Upon the signing of the Black Hawk Treaty, ending the war in 1832, the land known as the Black Hawk Purchase was opened up. Captain Benjamin W. Clark came across the Mississippi from Andalusia and erected a log cabin, making claim in what is now Buffalo. Clark was the first white settler in Scott County and he established the first public ferry across the Mississippi between Burlington and Dubuque. Clark's Ferry provided easy access to the new territory. During the summer of 1833, he also broke the first sod and; planted the first corn crop in Scott County. In December of 1833, he brought his family across the river to become the first permanent white settlers in this new territory and the only settlers on the Iowa side between Burlington and Dubuque. Clark's Ferry stayed in continuous operation for more than 50 years, outlasting all other public ferries of its kind. The ferry probably fell into disuse as more and more attention was centered on Davenport. It was in Davenport where steamers for the river passage first started being used and where the railroad made its way across Illinois into Iowa.

The precise route of Clark's Ferry stretched between Andalusia and Buffalo, going between the river islands as you look south across the river from Buffalo. The ferry landing was between what is now Jefferson and Hacker Streets. Standing to greet the weary immigrants was a public house built by Clark in 1835-1836. The hotel, 40x60 feet and two stories high, which still remains located on Front Street, was considered a great enterprise. The structure was completed in 1836. The lumber was brought to Buffalo from Cincinnati and cost \$60 per 1,000 feet. This is the building that is now owned by Kaufman Co. As time went on, several other businesses geared to meet the needs of the pioneers, were located in the general area as well. Capt. Clark's hotel was the first in Buffalo Township and Scott County. Thereafter came other places - the Washington house, the Mississippi house and the Heckle hotel. There were many other businesses as well. The principle industries of the town, aside from agriculture and stock raising were coal mining, brick and tile making, and pearl button manufacturing. The natural resources were used to best advantage by those who settled in Buffalo.

Buffalo began to thrive as a community because of the work which Captain Clark and others put into developing the land's resources. Many settlers decided to make Buffalo their home. By 1836, Buffalo was in a position to seriously be considered as the sight of the county seat. Buffalo also held promise in becoming an important import and commercial center.

Prior to 1837, the new Iowa territory was divided between two counties, Dubuque and Des Moines. However, because of the tremendous increase in new settlers, it soon became obvious that smaller county units were needed. At a meeting of the territorial legislature in Burlington in December of 1837, the lines for the present counties in Iowa were drawn up. For reasons unknown, a developer from Geneva convinced the territorial legislature that the upper line of Muscatine County should be as far up river as possible. This made Geneva and Bloomington central for Muscatine County. This also made Buffalo too close to the Scott/Muscatine County line to become the county seat. Representatives from Davenport and Rockingham had the same aspirations for their communities. The net result was that Buffalo, due to swift politics, lost out in the race for the county seat.

Descendants of many of the founding families still reside in Buffalo. All one has to do is speak with them, and you will hear many wonderful stories of what life was like in the early times. This is one of the beauties of small towns. People have roots going back through the generations. They have a stake in what is going on in the town. The stories they tell bring richness to a community which is lacking in many of the more modern suburbs and housing developments that seemingly pop up overnight.

BUY-SELL-TRADE

Wooden Nickels, Flats and Medals from Coin Clubs in USA or elsewhere. Contact Al Lacy, 3065 Greenfield Drive, Marietta, GA 30068. Email: allacy@bellsouth.net Phone: 770-973-2122

PRINCE GEORGE SPRUCE DOLLARS

Wanted:

- #26 – 1965 Aurora School for Retarded
- #28 – 1965 C of C Golden Jubilee
- #97 – 1975 C or C World Snowgolf Champs
- #145 – 1993 UNBC Convocation
- #146 – 1994 New Civic Center Clock Tower

If you have these woods to sell, please let Larry White know. His address is: PO Box 85, Liberty Center, OH 43532.

NEED TO REDUCE COLLECTION

I need to reduce my collection. Prices very low. Some complete sets also a lot of one of a kind. You pay for postage. Contact: Rich Basso, 2335 W. Greenbriar Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85023.

LITERATURE FOR SALE

Following items for sale.

- 1992 Wooden Money Buying Guide - \$5
 - 25 IOWMC Anniversary Programs - \$25
 - 24 PAN Clarion Magazines - \$15
 - 6th Edition Guide Book by Tom Hudson - \$20
 - 1972 First Supplement to the Guide Book - \$20
 - History and Checklist by Emil Debella - \$30
 - History and Checklist (original) - \$35
 - Wooden Money Supplement - \$25
 - 1985 Quebec Trade Dollars - \$25
 - Debella Guide Book - \$25
 - Michigan Official Catalog by Hartley - \$25
 - Canadian Wooden Money Catalog by Wells - \$20
 - 10 Scrapbooks of information dated 1961-1971
compiled by Ted Covington - \$90
 - 30 numismatic scrapbook magazines (1960's) - \$25
- Shipping in above is not included. Contact Mike Lascarides, 23 Sunset Drive, Millville, NJ 08332-2452

WOODS WANTED

Wanted: Woods with planes, trains, cars or animals wanted. Contact Bill Manifold, 3596 65th Street, Saugatuck, MI 49453-9792

C.C. OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD



The Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, Massachusetts has issued a new wooden nickel for its December 20, 2007 coin show. To order send 50¢ for each wood plus large envelope or bubble mailer with sufficient postage to the Coin Club of Greater New Bedford, PO Box 2991, New Bedford, MA 02741. Remember to ask for past issues.

PERSONAL WOOD



Glenn Willis Jr. has offered his personal business wood to anyone who wants one. Send an SASE to Glenn Willis Jr., Woodclaver Construction Int'l, 2510 Spreckles Lane, Redondo Beach, CA 90278.

MERCHANT WOODS FOR SALE

Hundreds of merchant woods from all states for sale (or trade for PA that I need). Herman M. Aqua, 100 Dunn Street, Forty Fort, PA 18704. email h.aqua@verizon .net

TRADE

Gary Beckstrom has fire and police patches to trade. Write to Gary R. Beckstrom, 89 Lark Circle, York, PA 17404.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING MARCH 31, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the January mail bid. (Although the lots were not numbered, I assigned consecutive numbers to each item. Also note that in some instances where 2 bids of the same amount were submitted I had to choose the one with the earliest postal date.) Lot# - winning bid: 1 - \$7.50, 2 - \$15.50, 3 - \$35.00, 4 - \$9.00, 5 - \$9.00, 6 - \$7.00, 7 - \$6.00, 8 - \$42.00, 9 - \$15.00, 10 - \$15.00, 11 - \$10.00, 12 - \$7.00, 13 - \$15.00, 14 - \$20.00, 15 - \$15.00, 16 - \$15.00, 18 - \$10.00, 19 - \$10.50, 20 - \$10.00, 21 - \$10.00, 22 - \$7.00, 23 - \$6.00, 24 - \$6.00, 26 - \$1.75, 28 - \$4.00, 29 - \$1.60, 30 - \$2.00, 31 - \$4.00, 32 - \$5.50, 33 - \$6.00, 34 - \$3.50, 37 - \$15.00, 38 - \$2.50, 39 - \$2.50, 40 - \$2.50, 41 - \$2.50, 42 - \$4.00, 43 - \$1.60, 45 - \$6.00, 47 - \$14.00, 48 - \$10.00, 49 - \$5.00, 50 - \$5.00, 51 - \$5.00, 52 - \$5.00, 53 - \$5.00, 54 - \$31.00, 56 - \$6.00, 57 - \$6.00. Total = \$459.45. 10% to IOWMC = \$45.94. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

Thanks to Jim Glover for this month's mail bid official flat woods. He is parting with extras and making them available at a low minimum bid of only \$1.00 per wood. (If you see the item listed twice in a row it is because there are 2 available, in which case the top 2 bids will win the 2 woods.) Minimum bid is \$1.00 per lot. Buyer pays postage.

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| 1. CA/Fullerton/1937/Golden Anniversary/5¢/Black (First official issue for CA) | 31. IN/Peru/1949/Centennial/Indian/10¢/Blue |
| 2. CA/Fullerton/1937/Golden Anniversary/10¢/Green (First official issue for CA) | 32. IN/Peru/1949/Centennial/Covered Wagon/25¢/Green |
| 3. CA/Fullerton/1937/Golden Anniversary/10¢/Green (First official issue for CA) | 33. IN/Union City/1949/Centennial/1 7/8" Round/5¢/Black |
| 4. CA/Taft/1950/40 th Anniversary & Oildorado/5¢/Black | 34. IN/Union City/1949/Centennial/1 7/8" Round/5¢/Blue |
| 5. CA/Taft/1950/40 th Anniversary & Oildorado/10¢/Black | 35. IN/Union City/1949/Centennial/1 7/8" Round/5¢/Green |
| 6. CA/Taft/1950/40 th Anniversary & Oildorado/25¢/Black | 36. IN/Union City/1949/Centennial/1 7/8" Round/5¢/Red |
| 7. CA/Taft/1960/50 th Anniversary & Oildorado/5¢/Black | 37. IN/Union City/1949/Centennial/1 7/8" Round/5¢/Orange |
| 8. CA/Taft/1960/50 th Anniversary & Oildorado/10¢/Black | 38. IN/Vincennes/1950/Sesquicentennial/Illinois/5¢/Purple |
| 9. IL/Bloomington/1950/Centennial/'Special Issue' - 1½"/5¢/Green | 39. IN/Vincennes/1950/Sesquicentennial/Indiana/5¢/Red |
| 10. IL/Bloomington/1950/Centennial/'Special Issue' - 1½"/5¢/Green | 40. IN/Whitley County/1938/Centennial/5¢/Black |
| 11. IL/Freeport/1940/Festival/Series One & Two/10¢/Orange | 41. IN/Whitley County/1938/Centennial/10¢/Red |
| 12. IL/Rantoul/1954/Centennial/Honorary Issue/5¢/Black | 42. IN/Whitley County/1938/Centennial/25¢/Green |
| 13. IN/Fortville/1949/Centennial/10¢/Green | 43. KS/Labette County(Oswego)/1938/Fair & Historical Pageant/Street Scene/5¢/Red |
| 14. IN/Fortville/1949/Centennial/25¢/Red | 44. KS/Labette County(Oswego)/1938/Fair & Historical Pageant/Hall Mill/5¢/Maroon |
| 15. IN/Hammond/1951/Centennial/H/5¢/Black | 45. KS/Labette County(Oswego)/1938/Fair & Historical Pageant/Hall Mill/5¢/Red |
| 16. IN/Hammond/1951/Centennial/A/5¢/Black | 46. KS/Russell/1941/70 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series 5/5¢/Purple |
| 17. IN/Hammond/1951/Centennial/M/5¢/Black | 47. KS/Russell/1941/70 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series 6/5¢/Orange |
| 18. IN/Hammond/1951/Centennial/M/5¢/Black | 48. KS/Russell/1941/70 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series 9/5¢/Aqua |
| 19. IN/Hammond/1951/Centennial/H/5¢/Green | 49. KS/Russell/1951/80 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series Two/5¢/Red |
| 20. IN/Hammond/1951/Centennial/O/5¢/Green | 50. KS/Russell/1951/80 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series Three/5¢/Green |
| 21. IN/Hobart/1947/Centennial/Century On Review/5¢/Brown | 51. KS/Russell/1951/80 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series Five/5¢/Silver |
| 22. IN/Hobart/1947/Centennial/Souvenir/5¢/Green | 52. KS/Russell/1951/80 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series Seven/5¢/Orange |
| 23. IN/Hobart/1947/Centennial/Souvenir/10¢/Red | 53. KS/Russell/1951/80 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series Nine/5¢/Green |
| 24. IN/Hobart/1947/Centennial/Souvenir/25¢/Blue | 54. KS/Russell/1951/80 th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series Ten/5¢/Blue |
| 25. IN/Mitchell/1953/Centennial/Cardboard/5¢/Black | 55. MO/Marshall/1939/Centennial/Odell Series/5¢/Orange |
| 26. IN/Mitchell/1953/Centennial/Wood/10¢/Black | 56. MO/Marshall/1939/Centennial/Centennial Series/5¢/Blue |
| 27. IN/Mitchell/1953/Centennial/Wood/25¢/Black | 57. MO/Marshall/1939/Centennial/Centennial Series/5¢/Blue |
| 28. IN/Peru/1949/Centennial/Cabin Building/5¢/Black | 58. MO/Marshall/1939/Centennial/Centennial Series/10¢/Green |
| 29. IN/Peru/1949/Centennial/Pioneer/5¢/Orange | 59. MO/Marshall/1939/Centennial/Centennial Series/25¢/Red |
| 30. IN/Peru/1949/Centennial/Joseph Holman/5¢/Red | 60. MO/Lawrence County (Mount Vernon)/1947/Centennial/10¢/Black |

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on March 31, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors. Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the seller in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment terms.



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PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

I want to wish everyone a happy Spring now that it has finally arrived. Our summer birds have returned and their songs are most welcome. The goldfinches have lost their drab brown winter color and now have their yellow summer plumage. The spring flowers have all shot up and we're looking forward to their bright colors.

One rite of spring around here is a flurry in coin club activity. One of the coin clubs that I belong to, South Shore Coin Club, is having their annual show this Thursday through Saturday. I have prepared an exhibit on wooden money and I hope to educate some of the 1,000 attendees that wooden money is alive and well. Last year I received a second place award and I hope to do at least as well this year. If you belong to a coin club you might want to think about doing this yourself. If you need some ideas or help in organizing an exhibit I can help.

While membership numbers are steadily increasing, we lost 13 members due to non-payment of dues since last year. Some collectors join for a short while and then drop out and we can understand that. This past year we had 4 of our long-time members drop out and this puzzling. We strive to meet your needs and I hope that we do. The past couple of mail bids have attracted new bidders and brought quite a bit of money into the treasury. Please feel free to contact me or any of your officers if you have any suggestions or questions.

For those of you bidding on the mail bids, please let me explain the procedure. **Do not** submit payment with your bid. Submit your bid only. If you are the winner you will be sent the lots that you have won along with a bill and you can submit payment at that time.

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EDITOR'S REPORT

First, thank you to Bob Brown for bringing some errors/omissions in the last issue to my attention. I explained that someone who collects wooden nickels is a lignaderist. The correct term is "Lignadenarist". Bob also found on page 5 under the definition for "official flat wooden money" the last sentence was incomplete. It should be deleted since I had already defined "official" in the preceding paragraph. Thanks Bob. It sure is nice to know that someone reads the newsletter.

I have been working hard on finalizing the update to the Guide Book. Besides adding thousands of entries, I have updated much of the information to include detailed information on every wood and have tried my best to do away with terms like "large print". I have received bids from 3 printers and I am finalizing the general section. I already have advance orders for about 70 copies so I am pushing to get the job done.

The most frustrating thing about writing a Guide Book is the new information that you continually run across. For example, over the past several months I took a good look at the update and I saw 2 or 3 woods from the same city and wondered if there were any more. One of these was the 1988 Rathdrum Days festival in Rathdrum, Idaho that issued 34 woods for the festival. Another interesting find was that in 1976 Muncy, Pennsylvania celebrated the USA bicentennial and the city's sesquicentennial by issuing 35 wooden nickels. In 1986 the El Cajon, California Chamber of Commerce teamed with the annual Mother Goose parade to get 23 businesses to print 29 different woods. And they don't come in bunches. Vicksburg, Mississippi has an annual flea market and issued wooden nickels from 1992 through 2002. (Articles on each of these are in this issue.) I have run across several other cities that issued wooden nickels either over a period of years or in multiples in one year and I will have articles in the next several issues of Bunyan's Chips. You may know of cities in your area that did the same and, if so, please let me know.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – March, 2008

Regular Checking

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| Balance Forward | \$3,023.17 |
| Income | |
| Dues | 348.50 |
| Interest | 1.40 |
| Sub-total | \$3,373.07 |
| Expenses | |
| Advance to Editor | 430.49 |
| Balance Forward: | \$2,942.58 |

Regular Savings

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|-------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$2,573.39 |
| Interest | 4.31 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,577.70 |

Life Membership Savings

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|-------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$2,543.42 |
| Interest | 4.26 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,547.68 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

1988 RATHDRUM DAYS IN RATHDRUM, IDAHO

By: Darrell Luedtke

The neatest thing about looking for a wooden nickel is when you get lucky picking up on a clue. I was looking at my collection and saw 2 wooden nickels that were issued for Rathdrum Days in Rathdrum, Idaho in 1988. They had a common obverse but the reverses each had the names of businesses on them.

I called the Rathdrum Chamber of Commerce to inquire about them and they told me that they did not have any wooden nickels but they referred to a local businessman who serves as the city historian. We struck up a conversation and I found out that Rathdrum is one of the oldest towns in the panhandle of northern Idaho, having been founded in 1861 and named the county seat for Kootenai County in 1881. It is located about 25 miles east of Spokane, Washington. Originally named Westwood after a local pony express rider, the name was changed to Rathdrum after Rathdroma, Ireland the birthplace of a local businessman. Present day Rathdrum is a thriving community of 6,500. In spite of three major fires, the earliest in 1884 and the last in 1924, many historical buildings still stand including Saint Stanislaus Church, the oldest brick church in the state of Idaho.

During our conversation I learned that the Rathdrum Chamber of Commerce has issued several wooden nickels over the years and that he was responsible for ordering them for the Chamber. During several additional conversations this is what I learned.

1. In 1979 Rathdrum held its first annual Prairie Dog Run and they issued 2 wooden nickels, a small black Indian and a small black buffalo, each worth 5¢. None are available today.
2. In 1981 Rathdrum held the Centennial celebration of its incorporation and issued a wooden nickel with the historic depot on it. None are available today.
3. In mid-July of every year the city celebrates its history with "Rathdrum Days" to celebrate their heritage. In 1988 34 members of the Chamber of Commerce got together and issued a set of 34 wooden nickels that have "Rathdrum Days" on one side and the name of the business on the other. All are printed in black ink, except for one that was issued by the Chamber for the "Parade & Day" which is in red ink. They were given out by the merchants. The set consists of the following woods.

C of C
Carriage Inn
Corner Shops
Dashco
First National Bank
Garden Spot IGA
Grizzly Tool
His N' Hers
Intermountain
Jim Tuttle
Korner Stop
Lakeland
Le Mistral
Mason's Logging
Movieland Video
Parade & Day
Parker Electric

Parts House
Performance Plus
Pioneer Woodworking
Rathdrum Drug
Rathdrum Lions
Select Video
Shady Rest Bar
Ship-N-Shore
Simon Says
Terry's Dining
Thayer Seed
Tony Moors
Trading Post
West Kootenai Rotary
Westwood Express
Westwood Inn
Young's Electric

I got lucky. The person I was talking with had a box of "old wooden nickels" somewhere. After several more conversations I was able to get 10 complete sets of 34 woods from him. Each set is available for the same amount I paid for them, \$40 plus postage, to the first 9 collectors who contact me. Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; 414-427-0391; dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

If you are traveling to Idaho this summer the Rathdrum Chamber of Commerce will once again be sponsoring Rathdrum Days on July 18th and 19th. Events include parades on main street, classic car show with a Friday night cruise on main street, crafters, vendors, great food, live entertainment, karaoke, games for kids, a climbing wall, wiener dog races, big wheel races, a 3-on-3 basketball tourney and much more.

1976 WAS SPECIAL FOR MUNCY, PENNSYLVANIA

By: Darrell Luedtke

Muncy is a borough in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. The name Muncy comes from the Munsee Indians that once lived in the area. 1976 was a special year for Muncy because they celebrated the sesquicentennial of their incorporation as a borough and it was also the USA bicentennial. The Merchants Association got together with 33 local merchants and they issued wooden nickels to celebrate the occasion. The woods were given out by the merchants and a contest was held to see if anyone could complete the entire set. In addition, the Merchants Association issued wooden nickels with and without numbers, the ones with the numbers were used for a drawing for prizes. The key to the set is the wooden nickel issued by Muncy Luminary, which only issued 10 pieces. All of the woods are worth 5¢ and are black in color. This is an extremely challenging set to put together.

Here are the businesses that issued wooden nickels.

Bartlow's Jewelry
Beamer Body Shop
Brelsford Motors
Bryfogles, Inc.
Commonwealth
Dow's Pharmacy
Edie's Gifts & Gags
Fausey Piano
Foust Variety Store
Frey's Hardware
Grange New Agency
H & E Creekside

Harter's Drug Store
Hoffman Seed
Holiday Market
Hy-Lo Discount
Jones's Blue J
Little's Garage
Lyon's Auto Body
McCormick Auto
Merchants Assn W/#
Merchants Assn W/O#
Michaels & Sons Inc.
Moran Hotel Inc.

Muncy AMC-Jeep
Muncy Bank
Muncy Luminary
Muncy Pastry Shop
Murray Motor Co.
Myer's Auto Parts
Myer's Sporting
Opera House
Paul's Dept. Store
Spring's Texaco
Stutzman's Exxon



In addition to the foregoing, 2 businesses decided to issue their own wooden nickels. These should be regarded as semi-officials and are as follows.

Opera House Restaurant, Good for cup of coffee
Wertman's Mobil, Buffalo with stars, 5¢

Wertman's Mobil, Indian chief, 10¢
Wertman's Mobil, Buffalo, 25¢

1986 MOTHER GOOSE PARADE IN EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA

By Darrell Luedtke

El Cajon is a city of about 95,000, is located in San Diego County, and was incorporated in 1912. A prominent El Cajon businessman was driving home from Los Angeles one rainy evening and had a brainstorm! The El Cajon business community had to give the children a Christmas present and he hit on the idea of a parade. Everybody loves a parade and El Cajon didn't have one yet but the businessman knew the kids in El Cajon would love it! Seven businessmen met in a living room in 1947. They received a \$150 donation from the City of El Cajon's Chamber of Commerce, called meetings and planned the first parade for Friday night, November 28, 1947. The mayor of El Cajon made a televised announcement the night before the parade. "We're having a parade tomorrow and want you all to come." Population in El Cajon was approximately 1,500 and parade night was bitterly cold. However, about 25,000 spectators packed the short streets to watch the parade! A tree was part of the display and the float's Santa climbed it to give the audience a better view. His costume got stuck and he was suspended from the tree for the duration of the parade. Everyone thought it was planned and loved it.

The parade's success and reputation spread throughout the country. The third parade drew 100,000 and an ad hoc committee was formed to plan the next parades. In 1950, the non-profit Mother Goose Parade Association was formed and the parade expanded to include a parade Queen and Court. Young women in the area were invited to compete in the Queen's contest to raise funds for the parade and the Rotary Club, El Cajon Lions, Kiwanis Clubs and Chamber of Commerce actively participated to ensure the parade's success. Decals were sold to raise money and grandstand seats were made available.

The parade association Board of Directors continues to consist of prominent members of the community who volunteer time and money to keep the businessman's dream alive and thriving. The Mother Goose Parade Association is part of El Cajon's fiber, and supporters and sponsors proudly participate in the parade.

Today, spectators line the streets as the parade continues to grow as an extravaganza with different themes each year. Floats may choose a nursery rhyme theme or a display related to the annual theme, which are judged for distinguished awards. Parade entries include marching units, bands, floats, clowns, equestrians, performing artists, beautiful cars, the Queen and Court, other spectacular elements that provide entertainment, and don't forget, Santa Claus, to ring in the Holiday Season.

The Mother Goose Parade is rich in history and delights children of all ages every "Sunday before Thanksgiving" which signals the beginning of the Christmas season as Santa comes to town at the end of the parade in his sleigh on his own special float pulled by model reindeer that soar through the sky. The parade has evolved into San Diego's largest parade and the largest of its kind west of the Mississippi. The event is broadcast on local television for viewers of San Diego County which increases in number each year.

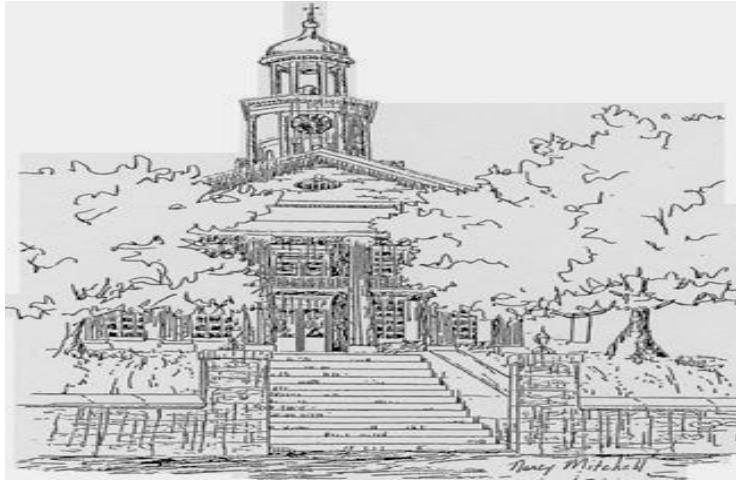
In 1986 the Parade Association, together with the Chamber of Commerce, decided to print wooden nickels that would be thrown to the crowd from the many floats. A total of 23 businesses and groups printed a total 29 different woods in various sizes and color, as follows.

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| Chamber of Commerce, Black, 1½" | Nat. Sons Of The Gold, Black/Brown, 1½" |
| BJ's Steaks & Ribs, Black, 1½" | Parkway Bowl, Black, 1½" |
| B.P.O.E. #1812, Black/Blue, 1½" | Parkway Bowl, Black/Green, 1½" |
| Charles T. Rodgers, Black/Green, 1½" | Parkway Bowl, Black/Brown, 1½" |
| Creative Circle, Black/Gold, 1½" | Pizza Plus, Black/Brown, 1½" |
| El Cajon Gun Exchange, Black/Blue, 1½" | Precast Concrete, Black, 1½" |
| Heartland CC, Black, 2" | Roses Coins & Stamps, Black/Red, 1½" |
| Heartland CC, Black/Green, 2" | Roses Coins/Stamps, Black/Blue, 2" |
| Heartland CC, Black/Red, 1½" | Rotary Club, Black/Blue, 1½" |
| International Numis., Black/Green, 2" | San Diego Inter-Club, Black, 2" |
| Kelly's Gift & Florist, Black/Red, 1½" | San Diego Numis. Soc., Black/Purple, 1½" |
| Kiwanis, Black, 1½" | San Diego Numis. Soc., Purple, 2" |
| Lake Murray Kiwanis, Black/Brown, 2" | Santee Coin & Jewelry, Black/Red, 1½" |
| Lions, Black/Blue, 1½" | Walt & Jean Schmidt, Black/Purple, 1½" |
| Lynn's Locksmith Serv., Black, 1½" | |

El Cajon's 62nd annual Mother Goose Parade will be held November 23, 2008.

ANNUAL FLEA MARKET IN VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI

By: Darrell Luedtke



Standing on a high hill overlooking the city of Vicksburg is an old court house which has been converted into a museum. The building, an impressive structure with 30-foot Ionic entrance columns, it contains original iron shutters, doors, and inside stairway. Several Presidents and dignitaries have spoken from the steps, including Zachary Taylor, William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, and Booker T. Washington. It was here on July 4, 1863, that General Grant, and John Pemberton, Commander of the Confederate forces at Vicksburg, rode their horses together to the courthouse from Pemberton's Headquarters, and climbed the steps to watch the changing of the flags when Vicksburg was formally surrendered.

Thanks to local citizens the building was saved in 1948 from demolition, and the Old Court House Museum was founded.

The museum includes many interesting pieces, including Native Indian artifacts, antiques, items of Southern heritage, and maritime history. There is a large steamboat display, including the original captain's wheel and parts to the Sprague steam sternwheel towboat (the largest and most powerful one ever built). It was known as "Big Mama", built by the Dubuque Boat & Boiler Works in 1902, and still holds towing records even today. The sternwheels were the primary form of commerce and transportation along the Mississippi River for many years.

The museum also houses many Civil War pieces, including battle flags, bayonet guns, artillery shells, Jefferson Davis's personal items, and an executive chair that Grant sat in during the occupation of Vicksburg.

Located upstairs is the courtroom where proceedings were held from 1859 until 1939. After occupation of the city by Union troops during the Civil War, the courtroom was used by U.S. Army personnel. Following the war, many cases and speeches were made in the courtroom.

It is interesting to note that during the Civil War General Grant usually rode a horse called Cincinnati. Within Grant's memoirs, he later admitted that while in the Vicksburg area, he stole a small horse from Brierfield Plantation, and named it Jeff Davis.

The museum is filled with priceless Civil War-era artifacts, historic items, and a museum store. The museum store contains a wide variety of very reasonably priced souvenirs, battle flags, muskets, and numerous Civil War historic books.

Every year since 1983 the Vicksburg Historical Society has held a flea market on the grounds. The proceeds of this flea market fund the upkeep of the court house. If you are near Vicksburg, their 25th annual flea market will be held this year on the first Saturday in October.

From 1992 through 2002 the historical society issued wooden nickels to advertise this annual affair. If you are lucky enough to have any of these wooden nickels in your collection now you will know that it is much more than just another flea market.

TRADE

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

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Need to reduce my collection. Prices very low. Some complete sets also a lot of one-of-a-kind. Contact Buyer pays postage. Rich Basso, 2335 W. Green Briar Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85023.

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PRINCE GEORGE SPRUCE DOLLARS

Wanted:

- #26 – 1965 Aurora School for Retarded
- #28 – 1965 C of C Golden Jubilee
- #97 – 1975 C or C World Snowgolf Champs
- #145 – 1993 UNBC Convocation
- #146 – 1994 New Civic Center Clock Tower

For sale:

Extras of many issues for sale going back to issue #2.

If you have the woods that Larry needs or you want to know what he has for sale please let Larry White know. His address is: PO Box 85, Liberty Center, OH 43532.

WOODS WANTED

Wanted: Woods with planes, trains, cars or animals wanted. Contact Bill Manifold, 3596 65th Street, Saugatuck, MI 49453-9792

LITERATURE FOR SALE

Following items for sale.

- 1992 Wooden Money Buying Guide - \$5
 - 25 IOWMC Anniversary Programs - \$25
 - 24 PAN Clarion Magazines - \$15
 - 6th Edition Guide Book by Tom Hudson - \$20
 - 1972 First Supplement to the Guide Book - \$20
 - History and Checklist by Emil Debella - \$30
 - History and Checklist (original) - \$35
 - Wooden Money Supplement - \$25
 - 1985 Quebec Trade Dollars - \$25
 - Debella Guide Book - \$25
 - Michigan Official Catalog by Hartley - \$25
 - Canadian Wooden Money Catalog by Wells - \$20
 - 10 Scrapbooks of information dated 1961-1971 compiled by Ted Covington - \$90
 - 30 numismatic scrapbook magazines (1960's) - \$25
- Shipping in above is not included. Contact Mike Lascarides, 23 Sunset Drive, Millville, NJ 08332-2452

PERSONAL WOOD

Glenn Willis Jr. has offered his personal business wood to anyone who wants one. Send an SASE to Glenn Willis Jr., Woodclaver Construction Int'l, 2510 Spreckles Lane, Redondo Beach, CA 90278.

MERCHANT WOODS FOR SALE

Hundreds of merchant woods from all states for sale (or trade for PA that I need). Herman M. Aqua, 100 Dunn Street, Forty Fort, PA 18704. email h.aqua@verizon .net

TRADE

Gary Beckstrom has fire and police patches to trade. Write to Gary R. Beckstrom, 89 Lark Circle, York, PA 17404.

SOUTH SHORE COIN CLUB

44th Coin Show, April 3-5, 2008. 25¢ each plus SASE. Back issues available. 25¢ each or 5/\$1.00 plus postage. Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING APRIL 30, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the February mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 1 - \$0.65, 4 - \$0.65, 5 - \$1.60, 6 - \$3.50, 7 - \$0.65, 8 - \$0.65, 9 - \$0.65, 10 - \$2.30, 11 - \$0.65, 14 - \$0.65, 15 - \$4.60, 16 - \$0.65, 17 - \$0.65, 18 - \$0.65, 19 - \$0.65, 20 - \$1.00, 21 - \$0.65, 22 - \$0.65, 23 - \$0.65, 25 - \$0.85, 26 - \$0.85, 27 - \$0.65, 28 - \$1.00, 29 - \$0.65, 30 - \$0.65, 31 - \$0.65, 32 - \$2.20, 33 - \$0.65, 34 - \$0.65, 35 - \$2.20, 36 - \$0.65, 37 - \$1.75, 38 - \$1.75, 39 - \$0.65, 40 - \$2.30, 41 - \$0.65, 43 - \$2.50, 44 - \$2.50, 45 - \$0.65, 46 - \$0.65, 47 - \$0.65, 48 - \$0.65, 49 - \$0.65, 50 - \$2.30, 51 - \$0.65, 53 - \$1.75, 57 - \$0.65, 62 - \$0.65, 64 - \$0.65, 65 - \$0.65, 66 - \$2.50, 67 - \$0.65, 68 - \$0.65, 69 - \$0.65, 70 - \$1.00, 71 - \$0.65, 74 - \$2.50, 75 - \$0.65, 76 - \$0.65, 77 - \$0.65, 78 - \$0.65, 79 - \$2.50, 80 - \$0.65, 81 - \$2.50, 82 - \$0.75, 83 - \$0.65, 84 - \$0.65, 85 - \$0.65, 86 - \$0.65, 88 - \$0.65, 89 - \$1.20, 90 - \$0.65, 92 - \$1.10, 93 - \$1.01, 95 - \$0.65, 97 - \$0.65, 99 - \$0.65, 100 - \$0.65, 101 - \$2.00, 102 - \$2.00, 103 - \$2.20, 104 - \$0.65, 105 - \$0.65, 106 - \$0.65, 109 - \$2.30. Lot 24 was withdrawn because it was not as stated. Total = \$97.51. 10% to IOWMC = \$9.75. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

Thanks to Jim Glover for this month's mail bid official flat woods. He is parting with extras and making them available at a low minimum bid of only \$1.00 per wood. (If you see the item listed twice in a row it is because there are 2 available, in which case the top 2 bids will win the 2 woods.) Minimum bid is \$1.00 per lot. Buyer pays postage.

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| 1. MO/Lawrence County (Mount Vernon)/1947/Centennial/25¢/Black | 29. OH/Marietta/1938/Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial/2½"/23 Stars/St. Clair/5¢/Blue |
| 2. MT/Helena/1939/75 th Ann. Discovery of Gold/10¢/Blue (First official issue for Montana) | 30. OH/Marietta/1938/Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial/2½"/23 Stars/Blennerhasset Island/5¢/Brown |
| 3. MT/Helena/1939/75 th Ann. Discovery of Gold/10¢/Red (First official issue for Montana) | 31. OH/Mercer County (Celina)/1953/Sesquicentennial/Series A/5¢/Green |
| 4. MT/Helena/1939/75 th Ann. Discovery of Gold/25¢/Green (First official issue for Montana) | 32. OH/Mercer County (Celina)/1953/Sesquicentennial/Series B/5¢/Red |
| 5. MT/Helena/1949/85 th Anniversary of Founding/W/O Control #s/5¢/Orange | 33. OH/Mercer County (Celina)/1953/Sesquicentennial/Series B/10¢/Red |
| 6. MT/Helena/1949/85 th Anniversary of Founding/W/O Control #s/10¢/Purple | 34. OH/Mercer County (Celina)/1953/Sesquicentennial/Series C/5¢/Black |
| 7. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-J/5¢/Blue-Red | 35. OH/Mercer County (Celina)/1953/Sesquicentennial/Series C/10¢/Black |
| 8. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-N/5¢/Blue-Red | 36. OH/Wellsville/1950/155 th Anniversary/5¢/Green |
| 9. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-J/5¢/Brown-Green | 37. OH/Wellsville/1950/155 th Anniversary/5¢/Red |
| 10. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-J/10¢/Blue-Red | 38. OH/Xenia/1953/Xenia, Greene Co., Ohio Triple Sesquicentennial/5¢/Green |
| 11. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-O/10¢/Blue-Red | 39. OH/Xenia/1953/Xenia, Greene Co., Ohio Triple Sesquicentennial/10¢/Green |
| 12. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-N/10¢/Blue-Red | 40. OH/Xenia/1953/Xenia, Greene Co., Ohio Triple Sesquicentennial/25¢/Green |
| 13. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-N/10¢/Blue-Red | 41. OK/McAlester/1949/Golden Anniversary/Pittsburg County/5¢/Green |
| 14. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-J/25¢/Blue-Red | 42. OK/McAlester/1949/Golden Anniversary/Rainbow Girls/5¢/Green |
| 15. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-O/25¢/Blue-Red | 43. OK/McAlester/1949/Golden Anniversary/Rainbow Girls/5¢/Green |
| 16. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-N/25¢/Blue-Red | 44. OK/Sapulpa/1948/Golden Jubilee/5¢/Red |
| 17. NY/Johnson City/60 th Anniversary/Series 1892-N/25¢/Blue-Red | 45. OK/Sapulpa/1948/Golden Jubilee/10¢/Green |
| 18. ND/Fargo/1950/Diamond Jubilee/Series A/5¢/Red | 46. OR/Albany/1948/Centennial/5¢/Blue-Red |
| 19. ND/Fargo/1950/Diamond Jubilee/Series R/5¢/Red | 47. OR/Albany/1948/Centennial/5¢/5¢/Brown-Blue |
| 20. ND/Fargo/1950/Diamond Jubilee/Series G/5¢/Red | 48. OR/Albany/1948/Centennial/5¢/Green-Red |
| 21. OH/Delphos/1951/Centennial/Delphos Bending Co/5¢/Black | 49. OR/Ashland/1940/15 th Annual July 4 Celebration/5¢/Red |
| 22. OH/Delphos/1951/Centennial/Delphos Bending Co/10¢/Black | 50. OR/Ashland/1940/15 th Annual July 4 Celebration/10¢/Green |
| 23. OH/Delphos/1951/Centennial/Gramm Trailer /5¢/Black | 51. OR/Ashland/1940/15 th Annual July 4 Celebration/25¢/Blue |
| 24. OH/Delphos/1951/Centennial/Gramm Trailer/10¢/Black | 52. OR/Astoria/1938/27 th Annual Regatta/Cardboard/Five Doubloons/5¢/Black |
| 25. OH/Delphos/1951/Centennial/York Refrigeration/5¢/Black | 53. OR/Astoria/1938/27 th Annual Regatta/Cardboard/Ten Doubloons/10¢/Red |
| 26. OH/Delphos/1951/Centennial/York Refrigeration/10¢/Black | 54. SD/Sioux Falls/1939/South Dakota's 50 th Anniversary/5¢/Red / First official issue for South Dakota |
| 27. OH/Marietta/1938/Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial/2½"/13 Stars/Memorial/5¢/Black | 55. SD/Sioux Falls/1939/South Dakota's 50 th Anniversary/10¢/Blue/ First official issue for South Dakota |
| 28. OH/Marietta/1938/Northwest Territory Sesquicentennial/2½"/13 Stars/Stars for the Flag/5¢/Blue-Red | |

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on April 30, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors. Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the seller in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment terms.



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PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

I want to thank everyone for their recruitment efforts. Over the past 2 months we have added 5 new members and have had 2 returning members. Remember my promise that I will personally pay 2009 dues for all new members in 2008.

The past month has been a busy one for wooden money. I entered an exhibit "America's First Wooden Money" at the South Shore Coin Club's annual show on April 3/5 and took 3rd prize. More importantly, almost 1,000 people who attended were exposed to wooden money. I also did an extensive interview with Jeff Stark, writer for *Coin World* and the resulting article "Wooden money an affordable way to celebrate, advertise" appeared in the April 7th issue. As a result I have had several contacts from groups and individuals.

It seems like the entire country has had some strange weather this spring. Del Cushing called me about a month ago, noting that Seattle had a late heavy snow while we in the Midwest had an earthquake. I have also heard from members in Texas about early summer heat, severe flooding in Arkansas and Missouri that resulted in people being given just minutes to leave their homes before flood gates were opened, and how Georgia wants to annex part of Tennessee to access much needed water from Tennessee rivers. Maybe all the cloud seeding that is taking place in China so that their huge population has enough water to drink has some effect.

We have had a lot of interest in the recent mail bids and, unfortunately, it is taking me way too long to tabulate all the results and send out the lots to the winning bidders. Part of the reason is because my consulting business (retirement?) is doing too well and my time is very limited. To all of you have submitted bids, have sent me their want lists, and so on please hang in there.

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EDITOR'S REPORT

I want to thank everyone for their feedback on the articles that appear in Bunyan's Chips. I try to come up with information that is interesting to all of the members and I need your input to do that.

Some members have asked for copies of the membership list so that they can network with other collectors to trade, buy and sell. This is a great idea and it is still the best way to add to your collection or get rid of your duplicates. Up until several years ago we used to publish the membership list in the April issue but this took up 4 pages, added about \$50 in printing costs, and wasn't useful by everyone. At that time a policy was developed that if you want a membership list all you had to do was ask for it and that still remains the policy. The membership list is maintained by the Secretary, Maurina Boughton. If you send an email to her she can reply with a copy of the list attached and you can print it at home. Her email address is: nbought1@rochester.rr.com. If you want a hard copy, please send her an SASE to: PO Box One, Macedon, NY 14501-0001. A donation for printing expenses would be sincerely welcomed. Please remember that if you contact a member you let them know how you found out about them. Be courteous and business-like. It is best to include your want list or you can ask for their duplicate list but remember that not everyone keeps a list of their duplicates. (I don't keep one because my inventory changes almost daily but I welcome want lists.) Above all, remember that Guide Book prices are only suggested prices and be willing to pay more if you really need it. However, many members offer woods at up to 90% discounts.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

NEW MEMBER:

Leon Reino R2440
1015 Central Ave, Apt. 3
Ocean City, NJ 08226
Sponsor: Jan D. Henke

RETURNING MEMBER:

Charles Swain R2318
301 Bridlewood Ave.
Shelbyville, KY 40065-7221

Please keep an eye out for your membership cards.
I am in the process of sending them out.

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – May, 2008

Financial Report for May, 2008

Regular Checking

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Balance Forward | \$2,942.58 |
| Income | |
| Dues | 15.00 |
| Interest | 1.13 |
| Balance Forward | \$2,958.71 |

Regular Savings

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$2,577.70 |
| Interest | 3.45 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,581.15 |

Life Membership Savings

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$2,547.68 |
| Interest | 3.41 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,551.09 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

WASHINGTON WOODEN MONEY

By: Darrell Luedtke

When most wooden money collectors think about the State of Washington they automatically think about Tenino. However, it is the home of many exciting issues over the years.

Aberdeen is located at the east end of Grays Harbor and it is the home of the Grays Harbor Coin Club. In 1986 the coin club issued a set of 12 wooden nickels commemorating the return of Haley's comet. In doing so it saluted old logging communities, as follows.

| | | |
|------------|------------|---------|
| Brooklyn | Markham | Summit |
| Carlisle | Quinault | Vesta |
| Cedarville | Sine | Western |
| Jonesville | Stearsille | Wishkah |

In 1987 Grays Harbor Coin Club of Aberdeen issued a set of 13 wooden nickels celebrating Chehalis County becoming Grays Harbor in 1915. Each of the wooden nickels salutes a historical site in Washington, as follows.

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Axford Prairie | Lone Tree | North River |
| Bay City | Lone Pine | Ocosta |
| Damon | Lytle | Whites |
| Grays Harbor City | Melbourne | |
| Humtulpis | Newskah | |

In 1988 Grays Harbor Coin Club of Aberdeen was back at it when they issued a set of 12 wooden nickels that saluted post offices of Washington State that were discontinued between 1912 and 1963. Each wooden nickel salutes one of these communities, as follows.

| | | |
|-----------|----------|-------------|
| Bogachiel | Kalaloch | Quillayutte |
| Elwha | Ozette | Solduc |
| Fuca | Pysht | Tatoosh |
| Hoh | Queets | Uncas |

Bingen is a small city of 600+ residents located on the Columbia River 60 miles east of Portland, Oregon. It is the home of the Huckleberry Festival and from 1984 through 1987 local residents issued wooden nickels to commemorate the festival.

Port Townsend has been renowned as a safe harbor ever since it's discovery in 1792. It is home to the Wooden Boat Foundation, a non-profit corporation dedicated to traditional premiere wooden boats. Ever since 1977 the Wooden Boat Foundation sponsored the Wooden Boat Festival in the first weekend of September. For 25 years, from 1977 through 2001, the Wooden Boat Foundation issued a wooden nickel for the Wooden Boat Festival every year.

Ellensburg is centrally located in the state and is the site for the Kittitas County Fair at the end of August. In 1923 it started a four day rodeo in conjunction with the fair and this has been a rousing success ever since. From 1989 through 1993 Ellensburg issued wooden nickels to salute their rodeo. All of these wooden nickels are undated, but with different printing, and it is difficult to tell one year's issue from another without a key.

WASHINGTON WOODEN MONEY, continued

Airway Heights is located 6 miles west of Spokane and was incorporated in 1955. Every summer it has an annual "Day In The Park". The Booster Club issued wooden nickels in 1987, 1988 and 1989. The event in 1989 was noteworthy because they teamed with the Chamber of Commerce to issue wooden nickels that were given out by 68 local merchants, each of which was featured on one side of the wooden nickel, as follows.

| | | |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Airway Bowl | Flying J Service | Old West Barber |
| Airway Hts. Exxon | Freezer Lockers | RA Pearson |
| Airway Hts. Tires | Geico | Re/Max |
| Airway Sheet Metal | Golden Inn | Russell's Automotive |
| A.R.T. Ceramics | Gordon Metal | Savage House |
| Auto Parts Barn | Hayford Station | Small Engine |
| Bagdad Motel | Heights Motel | Solar World |
| Barbara's Cafe | Hick's Hardware | Spokane Galvanizing |
| Bonnie's Hair Care | Honker | Spokane T & C |
| B's Drive-In | Inland Power & Light | Spokane Transit |
| Buckhorn Inn | Inland Credit Union | Super Buy |
| City of Airway Hts. | Joaquim's Donut | Taylor's Transit |
| Classic Mfg. Homes | King Pizza | Thrifty Auto Supply |
| Comb's Sunset Body | King Veterinary | Trend Hair Salon |
| Comm. Properties | Lantern Motel | Vietzke Excavating |
| Dean Ford's RV | Leberman | W Plains Advertizer |
| Diko Inc. | Leo's Body Shop | W Plains Dental |
| D'Lauralee Kennels | Lock Doctor | W Plains Trophy |
| Domino Pizza | Mainline Cafe | Westside Service |
| D&R Recovery | NAPA Auto Parts | Wood-Truss Metal |
| Fairchild Crown | NCOA Service Ctr | WWP100 |
| Farmers Insurance | NW Mobile Homes | Zip's Drive-In |
| 50 Plus Club | Olde Philadelphia | |

FRAMINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

By: Darrell Luedtke

In 1980 the Framingham Coin Club of Framingham joined the local Chamber of Commerce to issue a set of 20 wooden nickels to honor local businesses and organizations. As far as I can determine these were issued by the coin club, not the Chamber of Commerce, and were issued by the local businesses to advertise the coin club. They are not official or official, but private (common) issues.

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Chamber of Commerce | Guaranty Trust |
| Algonquin B.S.A. | Kiley's |
| Auto Doctors | Little Biggie |
| Chart Center | Long |
| Community Cable | Numismatistic Assoc. |
| Earl Bellis | Public Library |
| Fifth Insurance | Sid's Warehouse Store |
| Framingham CC | S. Middlesex Supply |
| Garino's | Sportswear Store |
| Giovanni's | Tire Pros |

HERSHEY, PENNSYLVANIA

By: Darrell Luedtke

In 1982 the members of the Hershey Chamber of Commerce got together and decided to have a Businessmen's Gala Sale. In order to advertise this event 13 businesses printed wooden nickels that had a value printed on it such as 10% off, \$5.00 discount, and so on. The following is a list of the businesses that issued wooden nickels.

Bill Maloney's Men's Wear
Bomberger's Texaco
Dairy Queen
DeAngelis Restaurant
Derrytown Book & Card Shop
Groy & Houser Florists
Hershey Laundry & Dry Cleaning

Hersheypark's Tudor Gift Shop
J.C. Hess Ford
Park Ave Shoes
Poser's Ladies Store
Spinner's Restaurants
Tulli's Shoe Store

The event was so successful that in 1983 they decided to duplicate the event and 12 businesses issued wooden nickels.

Bomberger's Texaco
Corral Restaurant
Dairy Queen
Derrytown Book & Card Shop
Don's Pier Restaurant & Arcade
Hess Ford

Martin's Gulf Service
McDonald's
Spinner's Restaurant
Tulli's Shoe Store
Wilhelm's Hardware
Your Place Pizza

SEBASTOPOL, CALIFORNIA

By: Darrell Luedtke

Sebastopol is a small semi-urban community located in California, on the western edge of the Santa Rosa plain, 50 miles north of San Francisco, 8 miles west of Santa Rosa and 15 miles from the Russian River. The city currently has a population of about 7,800 people

Sebastopol's first known inhabitants were the native Miwok and Pomo peoples. As California's population swelled after the westward migration and the Gold Rush of the 1850's, more and more settlers drifted into the fertile California valleys north of San Francisco to try their hand at farming.

The name of Sebastopol first came into use in the late 1850's as a result of a prolonged and lively fistfight in the newly formed town, which was likened to the long British siege of the Russian seaport of Sevastopol during the then-raging Crimean War. Evidently, many Americans in the west sympathized more for the Russian than for the British cause as there were at one time four other Sebastopol's in California; one in Napa County, renamed Yountville, one each in Tulare, Sacramento, and Nevada counties.

The apple industry brought a steady rural prosperity to the town and Sebastopol was incorporated in 1902 with schools, churches, hotels, canneries, mills, wineries, and an opera house to its credit. The 1906 earthquake reduced most of these early buildings to rubble, but as elsewhere in the county, the town was rebuilt.

In 2002 the city celebrated its centennial with the issuance of a set of 9 wooden nickels by the Chamber of Commerce. They were given out by the local merchants. The obverses all are printed "Sebastopol, California, Centennial, Incorporated 1902". The reverses are printed as follows.

Chamber of Commerce
Country Home
Creative Images
Discount Alley
Dutton Ranch

Historical Society of Western Sonoma Co.
Merle Avila
Quicksilver Mine Co
Stewart Cole Travel

Magoffin County, Kentucky Founder's Day

By Darrell Luedtke

Dr. Thomas Walker first encamped in the area in 1750 on his journey from the Cumberland Gap on the Warrior's Trail to his residence at Castlewood, VA. He first description of the area was that it was a "great sea of cane, teeming with elk." He named the river Fredericks' River and wrote that he could see an Indian encampment across its banks.

Magoffin County, Kentucky was formed from Floyd, Morgan, and Johnson counties in 1860. The area was settled mostly by the families of Revolutionary War soldiers and pioneers from the Carolinas, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and other states who wanted to find a good place to settle and raise their families.

The Magoffin County Historical Society was organized in April of 1978. Their first project was participating in the Kentucky Historical Society cemetery mapping project for Magoffin County. As people became aware of their existence they began receiving many requests for information about the area and they began printing the *Journal of the Magoffin County Historical Society* to preserve and disseminate the history and genealogy that they were collecting. Over the years they have been able to acquire a small group of reconstructed cabins that were placed in the Prater's Fort Log Cabin Pioneer Village Complex. The history of these log cabins and the local historical society is so intertwined that it would be impossible to separate the two.

The projects of the Historical Society began to blossom and in 1979 the group sponsored the first Magoffin County Founder's Day. The Founder's Day Festival honors the people of Magoffin County and those who have roots in eastern Kentucky and others who are interested in the genealogy and history of the area. This county festival has been held annually since 1979 during the week before Labor Day since then in Salyersville, the county seat of Magoffin County. Most activities take place at the Magoffin County Historical Society Log Cabin Complex located beside the Community Center. The festival offers young people opportunities to enter contests and win prize money for excelling in academic subjects such as math, spelling, essay writing, and art. Pageants are held for young people from age one day to age 14 for boys and girls and for young women from age 17 to age 26. Entrants gain confidence and poise by speaking and/or performing before an audience. The parade, drama, fashion shows, pet shows, clogging and other dance exhibitions, and specialty acts offer other opportunities for young people to perform before large appreciative audiences.

A family surname is selected each year and that family is honored for their contributions to the development of Magoffin County. A book of genealogy is prepared and the family surname is engraved on a marker on the Community Center lawn.

The Magoffin County Historical Society has issued wooden nickels every year since 1979 to honor the family surname or group that they are honoring. The following is a list of the wooden nickels that have been issued.

| | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1979 - Adams Family | 1994 – Lykins Family |
| 1980 – Prater Family | 1995 – Williams Family |
| 1981 – Salyer Family | 1996 – Helton Family |
| 1982 – Patrick Family | 1997 – Jenkin Family |
| 1983 – Arnett Family | 1998 – Civil War Soldiers |
| 1984 – Conley Family | 1999 – Shepherd Family |
| 1985 – Howard Family | 2000 – Homecoming |
| 1986 – Bailey Family | 2001 – Vanderpool Family |
| 1987 – Wireman Family | 2002 – Miller Family |
| 1988 – Montgomery Family | 2003 – Gullett Family |
| 1989 – Allen Family | 2004 – Whitaker Family |
| 1990 – Reed Family | 2005 – Hammond Family |
| 1991 – Minix Family | 2006 – Veterans |
| 1992 – May Family | 2007 – Carpenter Family |
| 1993 – Risner Family | |

BELLBROOK, OH FOR SALE

Complete set of 1966 Bellbrook sesquicentennial woods for sale. Set consists of 4 (black, blue, green, red). \$30.00 plus postage. All in individual plastic 2x2's. Wallace Krocsko, 435 West Pittsburgh St., Burgettstown, PA 15021-1083. (724) 947-5671

BUY, SELL, TRADE

I'm looking for a few good woods. Have thousands to trade or sell. Great prices. Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132

TRADE

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

FOR SALE

Need to reduce my collection. Prices very low. Some complete sets also a lot of one-of-a-kind. Contact Buyer pays postage. Rich Basso, 2335 W. Green Briar Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85023.

PRINCE GEORGE SPRUCE DOLLARS

Wanted:

- #26 – 1965 Aurora School for Retarded
- #28 – 1965 C of C Golden Jubilee
- #97 – 1975 C or C World Snowgolf Champs
- #145 – 1993 UNBC Convocation
- #146 – 1994 New Civic Center Clock Tower

For sale:

Extras of many issues for sale going back to issue #2.

If you have the woods that Larry needs or you want to know what he has for sale please let Larry White know. His address is: PO Box 85, Liberty Center, OH 43532.

BUY-SELL-TRADE

Wooden Nickels, Flats and Medals from Coin Clubs in USA or elsewhere. Contact Al Lacy, 3065 Greenfield Drive, Marietta, GA 30068. Email: allacy@bellsouth.net Phone: 770-973-2122

WOODS WANTED

Wanted: Woods with planes, trains, cars or animals wanted. Contact Bill Manifold, 3596 65th Street, Saugatuck, MI 49453-9792

LITERATURE FOR SALE

Following items for sale.

- 1992 Wooden Money Buying Guide - \$5
 - 25 IOWMC Anniversary Programs - \$25
 - 24 PAN Clarion Magazines - \$15
 - 6th Edition Guide Book by Tom Hudson - \$20
 - 1972 First Supplement to the Guide Book - \$20
 - History and Checklist by Emil Debella - \$30
 - History and Checklist (original) - \$35
 - Wooden Money Supplement - \$25
 - 1985 Quebec Trade Dollars - \$25
 - Debella Guide Book - \$25
 - Michigan Official Catalog by Hartley - \$25
 - Canadian Wooden Money Catalog by Wells - \$20
 - 10 Scrapbooks of information dated 1961-1971
compiled by Ted Covington - \$90
 - 30 numismatic scrapbook magazines (1960's) - \$25
- Shipping in above is not included. Contact Mike Lascarides, 23 Sunset Drive, Millville, NJ 08332-2452

MERCHANT WOODS FOR SALE

Hundreds of merchant woods from all states for sale (or trade for PA that I need). Herman M. Aqua, 100 Dunn Street, Forty Fort, PA 18704. email h.aqua@verizon .net

TRADE

Gary Beckstrom has fire and police patches to trade. Write to Gary R. Beckstrom, 89 Lark Circle, York, PA 17404.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING MAY 31, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the March mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 1 - \$5.00, 2 - \$5.00, 3 - \$5.00, 11 - \$1.55, 13 - \$2.50, 14 - \$2.50, 15 - \$2.00, 16 - \$2.00, 17 - \$2.00, 18 - \$2.00, 19 - \$2.00, 20 - \$2.00, 21 - \$2.75, 22 - \$2.00, 23 - \$2.00, 24 - \$2.00, 25 - \$2.50, 26 - \$2.50, 27 - \$2.50, 28 - \$2.50, 29 - \$2.50, 30 - \$2.50, 31 - \$2.50, 32 - \$2.00, 33 - \$2.00, 34 - \$2.00, 35 - \$2.00, 36 - \$2.00, 37 - \$2.00, 38 - \$3.00, 39 - \$3.00, 40 - \$2.00, 41 - \$2.00, 42 - \$2.00, 43 - \$3.75, 44 - \$3.75, 45 - \$3.75, 46 - \$4.00, 47 - \$4.00, 48 - \$4.00, 49 - \$4.00, 50 - \$4.00, 54 - \$2.75, 55 - \$1.55, 56 - \$1.55, 57 - \$1.55, 58 - \$3.50, 59 - \$3.50. Total = \$129.45. 10% to IOWMC = \$12.75. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

MASSACHUSETTS FLATS

1. Fall River, 1953, Sesquicentennial – complete set of 7 (MB \$17.50)
2. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series C, 5¢, Red (MB \$2.00)
3. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series A, 5¢, Red (MB \$2.00)
4. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series P, 5¢, Red (MB \$2.00)
5. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series E, 5¢, Red (MB \$2.00)
6. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series C, 5¢, Red (MB \$2.00)
7. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series O, 5¢, Red (MB \$2.00)
8. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series C, 10¢, Green (MB \$2.00)
9. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series A, 10¢, Green (MB \$2.00)
10. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series P, 10¢, Green (MB \$2.00)
11. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series E, 10¢, Green (MB \$2.00)
12. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series C, 10¢, Green (MB \$2.00)
13. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series O, 10¢, Green (MB \$2.00)
14. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series C, 25¢, Black (MB \$2.00)
15. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series A, 25¢, Black (MB \$2.00)
16. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series P, 25¢, Black (MB \$2.00)
17. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series E, 25¢, Black (MB \$2.00)
18. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series C, 25¢, Black (MB \$2.00)
19. Falmouth, 1951, Festival of Strawberries, Series O, 25¢, Black (MB \$2.00)
20. Framingham, 1950, 250th Anniversary, 5¢, Green (MB \$4.00)
21. Great Barrington, 1936, 175th, 5¢, Green (MB \$6.00)
22. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series L, 5¢, Blue (\$7.50)
23. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series A, 5¢, Blue (\$7.50)
24. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series W, 5¢, Blue (\$7.50)
25. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series R, 5¢, Blue (\$7.50)
26. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series E, 5¢, Blue (\$7.50)
27. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series N, 5¢, Blue (\$7.50)
28. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series E, 5¢, Blue (\$7.50)

29. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series W, 10¢, Blue (\$7.50)
30. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series E, 10¢, Blue (\$7.50)
31. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series R, 10¢, Blue (\$7.50)
32. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series E, 10¢, Blue (\$7.50)
33. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series R, 25¢, Blue (\$7.50)
34. Lawrence, 1953, Centennial, Series C, 25¢, Blue (\$7.50)
35. Malden, 1949, Tercentenary, 5¢, Black – Complete set of 3 (MB \$6.00)
36. Springfield, 1936, 300th Anniversary, 5¢, Black (**First issue for Massachusetts**) (MB \$7.50)

MISSOURI FLATS

37. Boonville, 1939, Daniel Boone Days - complete set of 4 (MB \$10.00)
38. Cameron, 1955, Centennial, Series A, 5¢, Black (MB \$2.50)
39. Cameron, 1955, Centennial, Series A, 10¢, Red (MB \$2.50)
40. Cameron, 1955, Centennial, Series A, 25¢, Green (MB \$2.50)
41. Cameron, 1955, Centennial, Series B, 5¢, Blue (MB \$2.50)
42. De Soto, 1953, Sesquicentennial – complete set of 9 (MB \$22.50)
43. Hannibal, 1935, 100th Anniversary Birth of Mark Twain (**First issue of Missouri**) – complete set of 3 (MB \$37.50)
44. Kirkwood, 1940, 75th Anniversary (MB \$2.50)
45. Laclede County (Lebanon), 1949, Laclede County Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
46. Lawrence County (Mount Vernon), 1947, Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
47. Livingston County (Chillicothe), 1937, County Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$37.50)
48. Marshall, 1939, Centennial – complete set of 5 (MB \$17.50)
49. Perryville, 1937, 100th Anniversary of Incorporation – complete set of 3 (MB \$37.50)
50. Rolla, 1937, Ozark Festival, 5¢, Red (MB \$15.00)
51. Rolla, 1937, Ozark Festival, 10¢, Blue (MB \$15.00)
52. Sibley, 1953, Fort Osage Pageant – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
53. Warrensburg, 1955, 100th Anniversary – complete set of 3 (MB \$15.00)

OHIO ROUNDS

54. Miami County (Piqua), 1953, Ohio Sesquicentennial – complete set of 10 (MB \$75.00)

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on May 31, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors. Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the seller in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment terms.



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PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

We have been working hard on preparations for the 2008 ANA World's Fair of Money to be held in Baltimore July 30-August 3, 2008. IOWMC has been confirmed as having booth #908. During the World's Fair of Money we will conduct our annual convention business meeting, swap meet and raffle. Hopefully we will be able to occupy our booth during the entire show so that we can educate the public about wooden money and IWOMC. It is a great time to renew friendships with old friends and make new ones. Our meetings will take place in room 319 of the Baltimore Convention Center on July 30th. The board meeting of officers will take place at 9:00 AM followed by the general membership meeting at 11:00 AM.

This is a call for nominations for officers. Each year a position on the Board of Governors is up for election. With Governor II moves up to Governor I, Governor III moves up to Governor II, and we need to elect a new Governor III. Also, the position of 1st Vice President is vacated, the 2nd Vice President becomes the 1st Vice President and we need to elect a new 2nd Vice President. We need your nominations for these 2 offices so please nominate yourself or someone else. This needs to be done by the end of June so that we can mail ballots with the July Bunyan's Chips. (There is no August issue.)

This is also a call for donations for our annual auction and raffle. All proceeds go directly to the club. I will handle the auction and raffle. If you have any donations for the auction please forward them to me by July 10th and I will list the lots in the July issue of Bunyan's Chips so everyone has an opportunity to bid on them.

With all the news about tornadoes in the Midwest and hurricane season beginning I want to wish everyone a happy and safe summer.

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EDITOR'S REPORT

I am sincerely sorry that this issue is getting out late and I have extended the deadline for the mail bid, auction donations and raffle until July 10th to compensate for it.

The past 30 days have been a month straight from hell. I was almost stranded in Honduras with a tropical storm bearing down on my when I caught one of the last flights from Tegucigalpa to Cuba. From Cuba I caught a flight to Toronto and then home to Milwaukee. What else could go wrong?

As you may have heard, the Milwaukee area had 7 tornadoes and over 10 inches of rain last week. Part of my basement leaked and it gave me a couple days of clean-up. Things had to get better.

I got a call from my brother, 2 years younger than me, that he had been having bad headaches for the past week. He checked himself into a hospital and they found 2 aneurisms in his brain, one of which had burst. During surgery to repair it he suffered a stroke so I've been spending every day with him. Thank God that he'll be around for a while longer.

The ANA World's Fair of Money is fast approaching and we are working at making arrangements for reasonably priced lodging in the area. If you live on the east coast please plan on attending our annual business meeting. It is always great to meet the members and do some swapping of woods and tales.

Again, I want to thank everyone for their feedback on the articles that appear in Bunyan's Chips. I try to come up with information that is interesting to all of the members and I need your input to do that. If you ever wondered about the origin of a wood or you have a story to share please let me know and I'll make sure that we address it.

Some members have asked for copies of past articles so that they can share them with their coin clubs. I have no problem with that since none of the articles are copyrighted. However, please advise me in advance so that if someone writes to me I know how they got my name and what they are referring to. From the number of requests that I've received I know that many of our members are doing what they can to "get the word out" about wooden money collecting and I thank you for that.

The articles in this month's Chips are a little different. Usually we focus on official and semi-official woods but this time we'll focus on private issues. Wooden money is limitless in the type of collections you can acquire. Have you thought of issuing a private wood lately?

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

No new members to report.

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – June, 2008

Financial Report for June, 2008

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| Balance Forward | \$2958.71 |
| Income: Dues | \$7.50 |
| Mail Bids | \$34.42 |
| Interest | \$1.15 |
| Sub-Total | \$3001.78 |
| Expenses: Editor Advance | \$517.48 |
| Balance Forward | \$2484.30 |

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| Regular Savings :Bal Forward | \$2581.15 |
| Interest | \$3.46 |
| Total Forward | \$2584.61 |

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| Life Member Savings: Forward | \$2551.09 |
| Interest | \$3.42 |
| Total Forward | \$2554.51 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

THE RAILROAD NUT

By Darrell Luedtke

Many of us have lifelong passions and one IOWMC member, Pat Whalen, loves trains. He worked 23 years on The Erie and when Conrail took over he injured his back and became disabled. However, that didn't curb his enthusiasm and love for trains.

Pat issued a set of 50 train woods some years ago that is coveted by train enthusiasts everywhere. These personal woods preserve the history of early railroad engines and have the picture of an engine on one side along with information on each engine on the reverse. This information includes the name of the engine, which engine works made the engine, year that the train was made, the type of engine, and a notable fact about the engine. The following is a list of the woods that he issued.

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| 1. 1811 First Steam Locomotive | 26. 1870 "W.F. Halstead" |
| 2. 1804 First Railway Locomotive | 27. 1862 "Engine No. 57" |
| 3. 1846 Great Western | 28. 1890 "Ten Wheeler" |
| 4. 1835 "Der Adler" | 29. 1870 "Minnetonka" |
| 5. 1834 "The Batavia" | 30. 1852 "Engine No. 1" |
| 6. 1840 "The Mud Digger" | 31. 1882 "Frisco" |
| 7. 1859 "The General" | 32. 1891 "Ten Wheeler" |
| 8. 1827 "The Royal Gorge" | 33. 1883 "American" |
| 9. 1832 "The Experiment" | 34. 1899 "Heavy Hauler" |
| 10. 1829 "Strourbridge Lion" | 35. 1898 Illinois Central |
| 11. 1829 "The Rocket" | 36. 1897 "Ten Wheeler" |
| 12. 1836 "Geo. Washington" | 37. 1861 "Engine 114" |
| 13. 1829 "Tom Thumb" | 38. 1887 "Mogul" |
| 14. 1846 "The Ironton" | 39. 1869 "Camel Class" |
| 15. 1835 "Black Hawk" | 40. 1910 "Pacific Type" |
| 16. 1846 "The Delaware" | 41. 1892 "American" |
| 17. 1848 "The Camel" | 42. 1895 2-4-6T |
| 18. 1831 "DeWitt-Clinton" | 43. 1888 Illinois Central |
| 19. 1837 "Lafayette" | 44. 1888 Georgia Central |
| 20. 1830 "Best Friend" | 45. 1880 "Fontaine" |
| 21. 1867 "The Silver" | 46. 1901 "Engine #254" |
| 22. 1888 "Union Pacific" | 47. 1902 Vauclain Compound |
| 23. 1860 "Thomas Rodgers" | 48. 1909 "Engine #1053" |
| 24. 1860 "The Scotia" | 49. 1896 Mr. Renshaw |
| 25. 1883 "El Governado" | 50. 1918 "Plow Dog" |

CITY PARK RIDES

By Darrell Luedtke

Lyle Drollinger operated the Ferris wheel in the city park in Iowa City, Iowa and evidently loved his job. He issued a set of 15 different wooden nickels in 1992 that had common obverses printed "CITY PARK RIDES / IOWA CITY, IA / I'D RATHER RUN / THE FERRIS WHEEL / THAN BE / PRESIDENT / LYLE DROLLINGER". The reverses were printed "1952 - 40th YEAR - 1992 / WOODEN NICKEL". The center of each reverse was then stamped in various color inks with the figure of an animal in the form of a letter of the alphabet. A complete set spells "CITY PARK RIDES" with an extra wood that is blank in the center and another stamped "DAN".

SOLL NIGHT

By Darrell Luedtke

An interesting set of 17 woods was issued by Dave Morrice in 1992. The woods bear a common obverse printed in black "GOOD FOR A DANCE / WITH THE OLD JEW / SOLL / NIGHT / AT THE MILL / IOWA CITY / MAY 10 / 1992". 8 of the woods have a small Indian reverse and 9 have a buffalo reverse, with all reverses printed in various colors. There were a total of 315 woods issued, some with "serif" printing and some with "sans serif" printing. Since the numbers of various varieties was very limited it was possible to complete only one set, 4 sets of 15, 1 set of 13, and the rest were either given out on Soll Night or sold individually. The following is a list of the woods that he issued. The numbers of each issued follow each listing.

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| 1. Blue Indian reverse, sans serif (69) | 10. Blue Buffalo reverse, sans serif (6) |
| 2. Brown Indian reverse, serif (2) | 11. Brown Buffalo reverse, sans serif (11) |
| 3. Green Indian reverse, sans serif (24) | 12. Brown Buffalo reverse, serif (1) |
| 4. Green Indian reverse, serif (18) | 13. Green Buffalo reverse, sans serif (11) |
| 5. Orange Indian reverse, sans serif (18) | 14. Lilac Buffalo reverse, sans serif (21) |
| 6. Orange Indian reverse, serif (4) | 15. Orange Buffalo reverse, sans serif (5) |
| 7. Red Indian reverse, sans serif (52) | 16. Purple Buffalo reverse, sans serif (8) |
| 8. Red-Brown Indian reverse, sans serif (28) | 17. Red Buffalo reverse, sans serif (17) |
| 9. Red-Brown Indian reverse, serif (10) | |

A DAIRY QUEEN UPDATE

By Bob Brown

Several weeks ago Rich Boyles sent me a copy of the following Dairy Queen wood that was not listed in my book "A PICTURE GUIDE BOOK OF THE DAIRY QUEEN WOODEN TOKENS".

The token is from St. Paul, MN and is red on both sides. The reverse says \$1 OFF / ANY BLIZZARD / OR ROYAL TREAT / PHALEN DAIRY QUEEN / 1354 MARYLAND AVE. E. / ST. PAUL, MN 56108.

If anyone has any Dairy Queen tokens to report please send me good clear copies of the token, or the token itself if you are willing to part with it, and I will see that it gets listed in this Dairy Queen update and that you are given credit for discovering and reporting it.

I am also interested in acquiring any Dairy Queen tokens that I can use in my collection. You can write me at the following address or call me at 717-944-9586. Write to PO Box 124, Highspire, PA 17034.

Thanks to all who have contributed to the list in the past.



HEDDEN PHARMACY

By Darrell Luedtke

Hedden Pharmacy is located in Tenino, Washington and is owned by Ken Hedden. Besides being an active member of IOWMC and an active advocate for wooden money, Ken was a mayor for 2 terms and is active in community affairs. Hedden Pharmacy issued sets of wooden money from 1979 through 1990 that were interesting and informative. Each set consists of 12 woods, one for each month of the year. The following is a list of the woods that the pharmacy issued.

1979 - Holidays

January – Happy New Year
 February – Washington's Birthday
 March – St. Patrick's Day
 April - Easter
 May – Mother's Day
 June – Father's Day
 July – July 4th
 August - Rx
 September - School
 October - Halloween
 November - Thanksgiving
 December - Christmas

1980 - Occasions

January – New Year
 February – Valentine's Day
 March – Old Time Music
 April – It's Spring
 May – 27th Anniversary
 June - Graduation
 July – Independence Day
 August - Summer
 September – Mt. St. Helen
 October - Vote
 November – Ronald Reagan
 December - Christmas

1981 – Pharmacy Services

January - Druggist
 February – Pet Supplies
 March – Bus Station
 April – Seeds & Plants
 May – Vehicle Licenses
 June – First Aid Supplies
 July – Cameras, Film
 August – School Supplies
 September - Vitamins
 October – Hallmark Cards
 November - Candy
 December – Season's Greetings

1982 – Flowers of the Month

January - Carnation
 February - Violet
 March - Jonquil
 April - Sweetpea
 May – Lilly of the Valley
 June - Rose
 July - Larkspur
 August - Gladiola
 September - Aster
 October - Calendula
 November - Chrysanthemum
 December - Narcissus

1983 – Birthstone of the Month

January - Garnet
 February - Amethyst
 March - Aquamarine
 April - Diamond
 May - Emerald
 June - Pearl
 July - Ruby
 August - Peridot
 September - Sapphire
 October - Opal
 November - Topaz
 December - Turquoise

1984 – Zodiac Signs

January - Capricorn
 February - Aquarius
 March - Pisces
 April - Aries
 May - Taurus
 June - Gemini
 July - Cancer
 August - Leo
 September - Virgo
 October - Libra
 November - Scorpio
 December – Sagittarius

HEDDEN PHARMACY, continued

1985 – Symbols of Liberty

January – First flag
February - Washington
March – Liberty Bell
April - Eagle
May – Paul Revere
June – Betsy Ross
July - Cannon
August – Official seal
September – Uncle Sam
October – Statue of Liberty
November - Rifleman
December – Latest flag

1986 – Modes of Transportation

January - Taxi
February - Bicycle
March - Automobile
April – Horse & Buggy
May - Train
June – Jet plane
July - Boat
August – Pickup truck
September - Bus
October - Helicopter
November – Recreational vehicle
December - Rocket

1987 – Sports Activities

January - Skiing
February - Basketball
March - Bowling
April – Fishing
May - Baseball
June - Golf
July - Swimming
August – Water Skiing
September - Track
October - Hunting
November - Football
December - Pool

1988 – Washington Festivals

January – McCleary Bear Festival
February – Skagit Valley Tulip Festival
March – Tenino Old Time Music Festival
April - Daffodil
May – Apple Blossom
June - Lilac
July – Oregon Trail Days
August – Olympia Lakefair
September – Ellensburg Rodeo
October – Elma Slug Festival
November – Seattle Sea Fair
December – Leavenworth Tree Lighting

1989 – Facts about Washington

January – State Nickname
February – State Song
March – State Motto
April – Territorial Seal
May – State Seal
June – State Flag
July – State Tree
August – State Flower
September – State Bird
October – State Fish
November – State Dance
December – State Gem

1990 – Birds of Washington

January - Sparrow
February - Hummingbird
March - Seagull
April - Bluebird
May - Crow
June - Pheasant
July - Hawk
August - Robin
September - Goldfinch
October - Owl
November - Sandpiper
December – Woodpecker

WOODEN MONEY COLLECTION

Flat and round woods, coin clubs, tokens, assorted sizes. All in display holders. \$750 or best offer.

1,008 round officials

78 flat officials

976 round coin club

31 flat coin club

40 round wooden dollars

2,113 total woods

This offer wasn't signed and your dummy editor discarded the envelope. If you are the owner of these woods or you are interested in purchasing them please contact the editor.

BELLBROOK, OH FOR SALE

Complete set of 1966 Bellbrook sesquicentennial woods for sale. Set consists of 4 (black, blue, green, red). \$30.00 plus postage. All in individual plastic 2x2's. Wallace Krocsko, 435 West Pittsburgh St., Burgettstown, PA 15021-1083. (724) 947-5671

BUY, SELL, TRADE

I'm looking for a few good woods. Have thousands to trade or sell. Great prices. Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132

TRADE

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

FOR SALE

Need to reduce my collection. Prices very low. Some complete sets also a lot of one-of-a-kind. Contact Buyer pays postage. Rich Basso, 2335 W. Green Briar Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85023.

PRINCE GEORGE SPRUCE DOLLARS

Wanted:

#26 – 1965 Aurora School for Retarded

#28 – 1965 C of C Golden Jubilee

#97 – 1975 C or C World Snowgolf Champs

#145 – 1993 UNBC Convocation

#146 – 1994 New Civic Center Clock Tower

For sale:

Extras of many issues for sale going back to issue #2.

If you have the woods that Larry needs or you want to know what he has for sale please let Larry White know. His address is: PO Box 85, Liberty Center, OH 43532.

BUY-SELL-TRADE

Wooden Nickels, Flats and Medals from Coin Clubs in USA or elsewhere. Contact Al Lacy, 3065 Greenfield Drive, Marietta, GA 30068. Email: allacy@bellsouth.net Phone: 770-973-2122

WOODS WANTED

Wanted: Woods with planes, trains, cars or animals wanted. Contact Bill Manifold, 3596 65th Street, Saugatuck, MI 49453-9792

LITERATURE FOR SALE

Following items for sale.

1992 Wooden Money Buying Guide - \$5

25 IOWMC Anniversary Programs - \$25

24 PAN Clarion Magazines - \$15

6th Edition Guide Book by Tom Hudson - \$20

1972 First Supplement to the Guide Book - \$20

History and Checklist by Emil Debella - \$30

History and Checklist (original) - \$35

Wooden Money Supplement - \$25

1985 Quebec Trade Dollars - \$25

Debella Guide Book - \$25

Michigan Official Catalog by Hartley - \$25

Canadian Wooden Money Catalog by Wells - \$20

10 Scrapbooks of information dated 1961-1971

compiled by Ted Covington - \$90

30 numismatic scrapbook magazines (1960's) - \$25

Shipping in above is not included. Contact Mike Lascarides, 23 Sunset Drive, Millville, NJ 08332-2452. Telephone: 856-825-2790.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING JULY 10, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the April mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 2 - \$1.65, 3 - \$1.65, 4 - \$1.65, 21 - \$2.00, 22 - \$2.00, 23 - \$2.00, 24 - \$2.00, 25 - \$2.00, 26 - \$2.00, 27 - \$1.65, 28 - \$1.65, 29 - \$1.65, 30 - \$1.65, 31 - \$1.75, 33 - \$1.75, 36 - \$4.00, 37 - \$4.00, 38 - \$2.10, 39 - \$2.10, 40 - \$2.10, 49 - \$1.65, 50 - \$1.65, 51 - \$1.65, 52 - \$1.65, 53 - \$1.65, 54 - \$1.65, 55 - \$1.65. Total = \$52.90. 10% to IOWMC = \$5.29. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

KANSAS FLATS (MB = Minimum Bid)

1. Atchison, 1954, Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.00)
2. Atlanta, 1960, 75th Anniversary, 5¢, black (MB \$2.50)
3. Clay Center, 1940, 5¢, green without #s (MB \$3.50)
4. Council Grove, 1954, Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
5. Goodland, 1938, Plains Celebration – complete set of 3 (MB \$15.00)
6. Goodland, 1957, 70th Anniversary, 5¢, black (MB \$2.50)
7. Harvey County, 1935, Historical Pageant (1st issue for Kansas) – complete set of 3 (MB \$50.00)
8. Hays, 1954, Wheat Festival, 5¢, red (MB \$2.50)
9. Horton, 1936, Golden Jubilee – complete set of 3 (MB \$40.00)
10. Labette County, 1938, Fair & Historical Pageant – complete set of 3 (MB \$10.00)
11. Leavenworth, 1954, Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.00)
12. Marysville, 1954, Centennial, 10¢, black (MB \$2.50)
13. Marysville, 1954, Centennial, 25¢, black (MB \$2.50)
14. Oswatomie, 1954, Centennial, 7½ ¢, Series V, black (MB \$2.50)
15. Oswatomie, 1954, Centennial, 17½¢, Series O, red (MB \$2.50)
16. Oswatomie, 1954, Centennial, 17½¢, Series V, reddish brown (MB \$2.50)
17. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 2 (MB \$2.50)
18. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 4 (MB \$2.50)
19. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 6 (MB \$2.50)
20. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 7 (MB \$2.50)
21. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 11 (MB \$2.50)
22. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 13 (MB \$2.50)
23. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 15 (MB \$2.50)
24. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 17 (MB \$2.50)
25. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 18 (MB \$2.50)
26. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 19 (MB \$2.50)
27. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 20 (MB \$2.50)
28. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 21 (MB \$2.50)
29. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 22 (MB \$2.50)
30. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 24 (MB \$2.50)
31. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 25 (MB \$2.50)
32. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 29 (MB \$2.50)
33. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 31 (MB \$2.50)
34. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 32 (MB \$2.50)
35. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 36 (MB \$2.50)
36. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 39 (MB \$2.50)
37. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 44 (MB \$2.50)
38. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 45 (MB \$2.50)
39. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 49 (MB \$2.50)
40. Pittsburg, 1951, Diamond Jubilee, Series 50 (MB \$2.50)
41. Russell, 1951, 80th Anniversary – complete set of 10 (MB \$20.00)

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on July 10, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors.
Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the seller in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



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PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

This is our combined July/August issue and deals primarily with pre-convention business. The next issue will be in September and will deal primarily with the results of the convention. I know that this issue is very late but there has been too much happening lately on my plate.

The World's Fair of Money will be held in Baltimore July 30-August 3, 2008 at the Baltimore Convention Center. Arrangements have been made for rooms at 2 cheaper local hotels. (1) Motel 6, 1654 Whitehead Court, Gwynn Oak, MD 21207 , Phone: 410-265-7660. Confirmation number is M109800046. Rates are \$55.99 Tuesday/Thursday and \$69.99 Friday/Sunday. Prices are for 1 person. (2) Days Inn Baltimore West, 1660 Whitehead Court, I-695 Exit 17/Security Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21207, Phone: 410-944-7400. Confirmation number is FD89160613. The rates are \$75.50 for 1 or 2 people.

The convention is the one main event for IOWMC every year. We will have our annual business meeting and address any issues that need to be addressed. We will have a booth at the convention and we welcome you to volunteer to work at the booth if at all possible. It is great to have kids come up and grab a handful of give-away wooden nickels. Of course we will be recruiting.

In conjunction with the annual convention we have a raffle and auction. I have included many items that will appear in both of these functions on the last 2 pages of this newsletter. Due to the late release of this newsletter, we will hold off on conducting the raffle and auction until August 8th, after the close of the convention. Although this is highly unusual, I just have not had time to properly prepare all the material needed for the convention, write this newsletter and get everything else done that needed doing while being caretaker for my brother. I beg your understanding.

Enclosed you will find raffle tickets for a chance to win one of the many wonderful prizes available in this year's raffle. (If you do not believe in gambling, just throw the tickets away.) This is the one big event that IOWMC sponsors each year to raise money and it helps to make up the difference \$4.00 difference between the cost of publishing Bunyan's Chips and your dues. All profits go to IOWMC. Just return the raffle tickets by August 8th and you will be entered in the raffle that will take place that day. All items will be mailed out shortly thereafter.

The auction lists many wonderful things that are up for auction. Again, all items were donated to IOWMC and all profits go to IOWMC. The auction will end on August 8th and all items will be mailed out shortly thereafter.

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EDITOR'S REPORT

I think I've said everything in the "President's Wood Pile".

Please take time to enter the raffle. Tickets are 50 cents each and we have included 10 of them in the enclosed envelope. (Please add postage.) This is the one big fund raiser for IOWMC every year and we need your support.

Please enter the auction and bid on some of the wonderful items available. All proceeds go to IOWMC.

I will be leaving for the convention on July 29th, staying overnight somewhere in Pennsylvania and returning on August 4th. If you have any questions please feel free to call or write before or after those dates.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at the convention.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

No new members to report.

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – July, 2008

Financial Report for July, 2008

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Del Cushing, Treasurer

2008 CONVENTION AUCTION

Below is a list of items that will be auctioned in conjunction with our annual meeting this year. All are welcome to come to the meeting where the lots will be on display, but we realize that some cannot make it so we are inviting members to bid on any items they might want by mail. I may suggest that if you do bid on some of the officials, bid high, as in past meetings, officials have sold at a good price. Send any bids by lot number to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132. Highest bid received by any means on August 8th will win the lot. A list of final prices realized will be posted in an issue immediately after the meeting.

1. 15 different California Sambos A,B
2. 15 different California Sambos L,S
3. 15 different California Sambos
4. 15 different Sambos, various states
5. 50 different coin club woods
6. 25 different round Christmas woods
7. 25 different round Christmas woods
8. 25 different flat Christmas woods
9. 25 different flat Christmas woods
10. 11 different miscellaneous balsa flats
11. 9 Coin World metal tokens
12. 8 Coin World metal tokens (same as lot 11)
13. 21 different cancelled envelopes (centennials, etc.)
14. 22 different cancelled envelopes (centennials, etc.)
15. 26 different cancelled envelopes (centennials, etc.)
16. 34 different cancelled envelopes (centennials, etc.)
17. 14" x 3" x 12" canvas tote bag, dark blue and white (groceries?)
18. 14" x 3" x 12" canvas tote bag, green and white (groceries?)
19. 14" x 3" x 12" canvas tote bag, light blue and white (groceries?)
20. 14" x 3" x 12" canvas tote bag, light blue and white (groceries?)
21. 11" x 5" canvas money bag, Centennial Bank
22. Penguin key chain
23. 25 different elongated cents
24. Shot glass, Las Vegas Treasure Hunt Casino
25. Shot glass, Las Vegas Treasure Hunt Casino
26. Shot glass, Las Vegas Treasure Hunt Casino
27. Key keeper, silver with braided chain, Treasure Hunt Casino
28. 3" x 4" Money poke, Harrah's
29. Prince George C of C Spruce dollar, issue #150
30. Prince George C of C Spruce dollar, issue #151
31. 10 different Dunkinn' Donuts woods
32. 25 Christmas flat woods
33. 25 Christmas flat woods
34. 25 Christmas flat woods
35. 25 Christmas flat woods
36. 25 Christmas flat woods
37. Shrewsbury, PA Sesquicentennial – complete 44 piece set of rounds

2008 CONVENTION RAFFLE

Below is a list of items that are included in the annual raffle held in conjunction with our annual meeting this year. Due to the lateness of the publication of this month's newsletter we will delay the end of the raffle until August 8th, which should give you sufficient time to return your raffle tickets. When returning the tickets, please write your name and membership number on the rear of the ticket and don't forget to add postage onto the envelope. Please return your raffle tickets to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132. The drawing will be held on August 8th and all prizes will be shipped as soon as possible after that. A list of final winners will be posted in an issue immediately after the meeting.

1. 1 year's dues
2. 1 year's dues
3. 1 year's dues
4. 1 year's dues
5. Men's watch, leather band, Treasure Hunt Casino
6. 4 matched leaf shaped glass candy dishes
7. Peppermill casino deck of cards
8. Pen and pencil set
9. Set of 8 note card and envelopes
10. Hand stitched IOWMC bookmark
11. Hand stitched IOWMC bookmark
12. 33 Bicentennial Sambo's, Seattle-15th
13. 34 miscellaneous numismatic woods
14. Osage Honey Farm, Sibley, MO flats – 1960/1975
15. 20 20-pocket (1½") slightly used plastic display pages
16. 20 30-pocket (2") slightly used plastic display pages
17. 34 miscellaneous encased cents, milk pogs, casino tokens, tokens
18. 25 various numismatic wooden flats
19. 40 NJ and PA numismatic woods (2" and 1½" rounds, some duplication)
20. *Wooden Nickels*, William F. Rickenbacker
21. *Guide Book of Wooden Money*, Sixth Edition, Tom Hudson
22. *Guide Book of Wooden Money*, Sixth Edition, Tom Hudson
23. *Michigan Official Wooden Money*, 1934-1965, Floyd Hartley & Frank Holstine
24. *Michigan Official Wooden Money*, 1934-1965, Floyd Hartley & Frank Holstine
25. 1939, Hoquiam, WA, 50th Jubilee, 3", round wooden quarter
26. 1939, Blairstown, NJ, Centennial, set of 3 flats
27. 1936, Bridgeton, NJ, 250th Anniversary, 5¢, flat
28. 1939, Hackensack Valley (Bergen County), Tercentenary, 10¢, flat
29. 1951, Elk City, OK, Golden Anniversary, Anniversary Series, set of 3 flats
30. 1951, Elk City, OK, Golden Anniversary, Pioneer Series, set of 3 flats
31. 1949, McAlester, OK, Golden Anniversary, Pittsburg County Series, set of 3 flats
32. 1949, McAlester, OK, Golden Anniversary, Rainbow Girls Series, set of 3 flats
33. 1949, McAlester, OK, Golden Anniversary, Golden Anniversary Series, set of 3 flats
34. One White Spruce Dollar, NILS, British Columbia, ¾" diameter
35. More items coming in daily



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PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

I hope that you all had a great summer and added some woods to your collection.

The highlight of the summer was the World's Fair of Money held in Baltimore. Bob Brown and I ran the booth and Bob signed up one new member. I took along 1,800 common rounds and 1,400 coin club flats to be handed out at our booth. Most of the coin club flats were for Maryland coin clubs so we shared them with Joe Burford, who was helping at the Maryland coin clubs tables just outside the entrance. The woods were a rousing success and we gave all of them away in the first day and a half with many people taking multiples. Many people asked for information and we were glad to provide it. With 80% of the population not knowing what a wooden nickel is we hope that it furthered our cause.

The raffle and auction were a great success. Gross proceeds from the auction were \$434.94 and the raffle raised \$395.00. The results are included in this newsletter. Since the newsletter costs over \$12.00 per member per year and dues are only \$7.50, this is our main means of making up the difference. I want to thank everyone who participated, whether you donated something, bid on something or bought a raffle ticket. Some of you were very generous and we especially thank you.

We did not have an election this year because there were no nominations. We have a few active people who are officers, sometimes in more than one club. The most active and most important offices are those of president, treasurer, secretary, and editor. The other officers have very little to do under normal circumstances. We hope that you consider running for an office in the future. Since we did not have an election, we will keep all officers in their current positions for one more year.

POWMC will have their show/swap meet at the Hermitage Quality Inn in Hermitage, PA on September 20.

Darrell Luedtke, President

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EDITOR'S REPORT

The annual general membership meeting of the IOWMC was held in Baltimore on July 30, 2008. The meeting was called to order by president Luedtke at 11:00 and attendance was called. A moment of silence was held for those members who passed away during the last year. Board members in attendance were Darrell Luedtke and Bob Brown. Members in attendance included Ed Herman, Mike Whelan, Joe Burford and Don Charters. Guests included Mariellen Herman, Margie Burford and Pete Smith. President Luedtke reported that our membership increased from approximately 147 to 155 members over the past year. A secretary's report will be in the next issue of Bunyan's Chips. The treasurer's report showed that we started the year with \$3,327.40, income of \$1300.88, expenses of \$2116.93, resulting in ending balance of \$2511.35 in the checking account. The regular savings and life membership accounts each showed an increase due to interest income.

At that point, due to a lack of a quorum, the meeting was closed and a general discussion was held. Members voiced their opinions on a variety of subjects including possibly raising membership fees to cover the \$800 difference between income and expenses. \$10.00 was suggested. Another topic included merging with DWMC because their membership has declined to just 123 members. President Luedtke stated that the strength of the club is the newsletter and if it does not provide good articles on wooden money we lose the interest of the membership. The problem is that DWMC has bylaws which state that if they were to cease to exist, then their treasury would be donated to the ANA and the interests of their life members would be in jeopardy. He promised to do further research and share this with members.

At that point the general discussion ended and tickets were sold for the raffle and bids were taken on auction items, all of which were displayed during the meeting.

I have made a lot of telephone calls over the past several months and during my discussions with collectors they have brought up one thing or another and this has given me some great ideas for future articles for the newsletter. Maybe I don't talk to enough members but I really need your input because this is YOUR club and newsletter. We try to vary the articles in the newsletter to make it interesting to everyone. I want to thank everyone who sent me letters over the past year complimenting me on one or another article. It's this positive feedback that keeps me going.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

One new member signed up at the Annual Meeting

Bohden Bobjak R2441
7804 Braus Ave
Philadelphia PA 19152-3509
Sponsor: Bob Brown
Interests: Encased Coins

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – Aug/Sept, 2008

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Income | |
| Bal Forward | \$2520.38 |
| Donation | \$30.00 |
| Interest | \$0.97 |
| Interest | \$0.97 |
| Sub-Total | \$2552.32 |

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|---------------|-----------|
| Expenses: | |
| State of Wash | \$10.00 |
| Total Forward | \$2542.32 |

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| Regular Savings | |
| Balance Forward | \$2588.94 |
| Interest | \$3.47 |
| Interest | \$3.47 |
| Total Forward | \$2595.88 |

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| Life Membership | |
| Balance Forward | \$2558.78 |
| Interest | \$3.43 |
| Interest | \$3.43 |
| Total Forward | \$2565.64 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

ANNUAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

August, 2007
 147 Total Members
 21 New Members
 1 Death
 12 Resignations
 August, 2008
 155 Total Members

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Regular Checing 8/1/2007 | | \$3327.40 |
| Income: | | |
| Interest | \$10.93 | |
| Dues | \$582.50 | |
| Donations | \$13.00 | |
| Auction | \$414.91 | |
| Raffle | \$15.00 | |
| Mail Bids | <u>\$264.54</u> | |
| Sub-Total | \$1300.88 | <u>\$1300.88</u> |
| | | \$4628.28 |
| Expenses: | | |
| Bunyan Chips | \$1624.40 | |
| Editor Adv | \$356.53 | |
| Secretary Adv. | \$50.00 | |
| Incorporation & Business | | |
| Licenses: State of Washington | \$40.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | <u>\$46.00</u> | |
| Expenses Total | \$2116.93 | <u>\$2116.93</u> |
| Balance forward 8/1/2008 | | \$2511.35 |
| Regular Savings 8/1/2007 | | \$2558.99 |
| Interest | <u>\$33.42</u> | |
| Total | \$33.42 | <u>\$33.42</u> |
| Balance Forward 8/1/2008 | | \$2592.41 |
| Life Savings Account 8/1/2007 | | \$2529.19 |
| Interest | <u>\$33.02</u> | <u>\$33.02</u> |
| Total | \$2562.21 | |
| Balance Forward 8/1/2008 | | \$2562.21 |

AUCTION RESULTS

Final figures are in for the annual IOWMC auction. (Ties were decided on the earliest bid date.) Total proceeds for the auction was \$434.94. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners. Thanks to the donors of the auction prizes and to everyone who bought a ticket.

| Lot # | Donor | Winning Bid |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1. | Bob Brown | \$ 3.00 |
| 2. | Bob Brown | \$ 3.00 |
| 3. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 3.00 |
| 4. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 3.00 |
| 5. | Ken Paulsen | \$17.97 |
| 6. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 3.00 |
| 7. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 3.00 |
| 8. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 3.00 |
| 9. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 3.00 |
| 10. | Ken Paulsen | \$16.50 |
| 11. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 5.00 |
| 12. | Ken Paulsen | \$11.00 |
| 13. | Ken Paulsen | \$10.00 |
| 14. | Ken Paulsen | \$10.00 |
| 15. | Ken Paulsen | \$12.00 |
| 16. | Ken Paulsen | \$17.00 |
| 17. | Ken Paulsen | No bids |
| 18. | Ken Paulsen | Withdrawn |
| 19. | Ken Paulsen | Withdrawn |
| 20. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 2.00 |
| 21. | Ken Paulsen | \$ 5.00 |
| 22. | Ken Paulsen | No bids |
| 23. | Ken Paulsen | \$12.50 |
| 24. | Ken Paulsen | No bids |
| 25. | Ken Paulsen | No bids |
| 26. | Ken Paulsen | No bids |
| 27. | Ken Paulsen | No bids |
| 28. | Ken Paulsen | No bids |
| 29. | Darrell Luedtke | \$ 1.00 |
| 30. | Darrell Luedtke | \$ 1.00 |
| 31. | Darrell Luedtke | \$20.97 |
| 32. | Darrell Luedtke | \$10.00 |
| 33. | Darrell Luedtke | \$10.00 |
| 34. | Darrell Luedtke | \$10.00 |
| 35. | Darrell Luedtke | \$10.00 |
| 36. | Darrell Luedtke | \$10.00 |
| 37. | Darrell Luedtke | \$51.00 |

I want to thank everyone who donated items and those who bid in the auction. I also want to thank John Wilson and Gerard Braithwaite who donated woods that were received too late to include in the auction. They will be included in a future auction or raffle.

RAFFLE RESULTS

Final figures are in for the annual IOWMC raffle. Total proceeds for the raffle was \$395.00 thanks to 50 members who purchased a total of 790 tickets. Thanks to the donors of the raffle prizes and to everyone who bought a ticket.

| Lot # | Donor | Winner |
|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | Wayne & Virginia Dennis | Robert Brown Jr. |
| 2. | Wayne & Virginia Dennis | Frank Cover |
| 3. | Darrell Luedtke | Bill Manifold |
| 4. | Darrell Luedtke | Don Blake |
| 5. | Ken Paulsen | Bill Snider |
| 6. | Ken Paulsen | Joe Burford |
| 7. | Ken Paulsen | Jane Wilber |
| 8. | IOWMC | Don Clifford |
| 9. | IOWMC | Dennis Skea |
| 10. | IOWMC | Don Charters |
| 11. | IOWMC | Phil Chinitz |
| 12. | IOWMC | David Hunsicker |
| 13. | IOWMC | Michael Wolf |
| 14. | Darrell Luedtke | Gary Beckstrom |
| 15. | Darrell Luedtke | Virginia Dennis |
| 16. | Darrell Luedtke | Donald Nash |
| 17. | Darrell Luedtke | Jan Henke |
| 18. | Darrell Luedtke | Frank Cover |
| 19. | Al Zaika | Joseph Urpack |
| 20. | Darrell Luedtke | Patrick Whalen |
| 21. | Darrell Luedtke | Bill Manifold |
| 22. | Darrell Luedtke | Donald Nash |
| 23. | Darrell Luedtke | Donald Clifford |
| 24. | Darrell Luedtke | Frank Cover |
| 25. | Darrell Luedtke | Patrick Whalen |
| 26. | Darrell Luedtke | John Meiling |
| 27. | Darrell Luedtke | Wayne Dennis |
| 28. | Darrell Luedtke | William Baab |
| 29. | Darrell Luedtke | Wallace Krocsko |
| 30. | Darrell Luedtke | Willard Williams |
| 31. | Darrell Luedtke | Charlotte Boraker |
| 32. | Darrell Luedtke | Frank Cover |
| 33. | Darrell Luedtke | David Hunsicker |
| 34. | Darrell Luedtke | Gary Beckstrom |
| 35. | Darrell Luedtke | Pat Babbitt |
| 36. | Darrell Luedtke | Harry Davis |
| 37. | Darrell Luedtke | Del Cushing |
| 38. | Darrell Luedtke | Dan Lipstein |
| 39. | Darrell Luedtke | Rita Stankiewicz |
| 40. | Darrell Luedtke | Carl Britz |

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IOWMC AND DWMC MERGER - FACTS AND FIGURES

| | IOWMC | DWMC | MEMBERS OF BOTH |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Total Members | 155 | 123 | 71 |
| Life Members | 15 | 15 | 7 |
| Charter Members | 8 | 6 | 4 |
| Honorary Life Members | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| Educational Members | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Regular Members | 122 | 108 | 55 |
| Treasury | \$7,665.97 | \$8591.83 | |

Members noted at the meeting that every other area of collecting, whether it be tokens, elongated, encased or casino chips, had 2 national clubs. Yes, there are regional clubs, but not 2 national clubs. 71 members are members of both clubs and either paid for life memberships or are paying dues to both clubs. Based on the foregoing, if we merged the clubs we would have a total of 210 members if everyone stayed with the merged club.



Free ANA, IOWMC, and DWMC meeting woods from Baltimore. Send one 4" x 8" SASE bubble mailer with \$1.34 postage or send \$2.00 and I will buy the mailer and postage. Send to: Mr. Larry White, PO Box 85, Liberty Center, OH 43532.

K.S.N.A. CONVENTION

The Louisville CC has issued 2 wooden nickels, an Indian and a buffalo, both in blue ink for their 2008 show. The price is \$1.00 for the pair including shipping. Order from Bill Snider, PO Box 14402, Louisville, KY 40214.

C.C. & G.T.C.C. CONVENTION

The Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club has issued a wooden nickel (red ink) and dollar (green ink) for their annual convention in 2008. The price is \$1.00 for the pair plus shipping as follows: orders up to \$5 add \$1.50, up to \$10 add \$3.00. Order from Roy Nelson, PO Box 77602, Henderson, NV 89077. (Ad placed by Bill Snider.)

BELLBROOK, OH FOR SALE

Complete set of 1966 Bellbrook sesquicentennial woods for sale. Set consists of 4 (black, blue, green, red). \$30.00 plus postage. All in individual plastic 2x2's. Wallace Krocsko, 435 West Pittsburgh St., Burgettstown, PA 15021-1083. (724) 947-5671

TRADE

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

FOR SALE

Need to reduce my collection. Prices very low. Some complete sets also a lot of one-of-a-kind. Contact Buyer pays postage. Rich Basso, 2335 W. Green Briar Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85023.

PRINCE GEORGE SPRUCE DOLLARS**Wanted:**

- #26 – 1965 Aurora School for Retarded
- #28 – 1965 C of C Golden Jubilee
- #97 – 1975 C or C World Snowgolf Champs
- #145 – 1993 UNBC Convocation
- #146 – 1994 New Civic Center Clock Tower

For sale:

Extras of many issues for sale going back to issue #2.

If you have the woods that Larry needs or you want to know what he has for sale please let Larry White know. His address is: PO Box 85, Liberty Center, OH 43532.

BUY-SELL-TRADE

Wooden Nickels, Flats and Medals from Coin Clubs in USA or elsewhere. Contact Al Lacy, 3065 Greenfield Drive, Marietta, GA 30068. Email: allacy@bellsouth.net Phone: 770-973-2122

WOODS WANTED

Wanted: Woods with planes, trains, cars or animals wanted. Contact Bill Manifold, 3596 65th Street, Saugatuck, MI 49453-9792

LITERATURE FOR SALE

Following items for sale.

- 1992 Wooden Money Buying Guide - \$5
 - 25 IOWMC Anniversary Programs - \$25
 - 24 PAN Clarion Magazines - \$15
 - 6th Edition Guide Book by Tom Hudson - \$20
 - 1972 First Supplement to the Guide Book - \$20
 - History and Checklist by Emil Debella - \$30
 - History and Checklist (original) - \$35
 - Wooden Money Supplement - \$25
 - 1985 Quebec Trade Dollars - \$25
 - Debella Guide Book - \$25
 - Michigan Official Catalog by Hartley - \$25
 - Canadian Wooden Money Catalog by Wells - \$20
 - 10 Scrapbooks of information dated 1961-1971 compiled by Ted Covington - \$90
 - 30 numismatic scrapbook magazines (1960's) - \$25
- Shipping in above is not included. Contact Mike Lascarides, 23 Sunset Drive, Millville, NJ 08332-2452. Telephone: 856-825-2790.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the May mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 1 - \$ 17.50, 2 - \$3.00, 3 - \$3.00, 4 - \$3.00, 5 - \$3.00, 6 - \$3.00, 7 - \$12.50, 8 - \$12.50, 9 - \$3.00, 11 - \$2.50, 12 - \$2.50, 13 - \$2.50, 14 - \$2.50, 15 - \$2.50, 16 - \$2.50, 17 - \$2.50, 18 - \$2.50, 19 - \$2.50, 20 - \$4.00, 21 - \$6.25, 36 - \$9.00, 37 - \$22.00, 38 - \$2.50, 39 - \$2.50, 40 - \$2.50, 41 - \$4.00, 42 - \$22.50, 43 - \$52.50, 44 - \$2.50, 47 - \$37.50, 49 - \$50.00, 50 - \$15.00, 52 - \$12.00, 53 - \$20.00. Total = \$362.75. 10% to IOWMC = \$36.27. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

Note: Final figures are in for the June mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 1 - \$ 7.25, 2 - \$5.00, 3 - \$3.75, 4 - \$7.75, 5 - \$16.00, 7 - \$51.00, 8 - \$2.75, 9 - \$45.00, 11 - \$7.25, 12 - \$2.75, 13 - \$2.75, 15 - \$5.00, 16 - \$2.75, 17 - \$2.75, 18 - \$2.60, 19 - \$2.75, 20 - \$2.75, 21 - \$2.75, 22 - \$2.75, 23 - \$2.75, 24 - \$2.75, 25 - \$2.75, 26 - \$2.75, 27 - \$5.00, 28 - \$2.60, 29 - \$2.75, 30 - \$2.75, 31 - \$2.75, 32 - \$2.75, 33 - \$2.75, 34 - \$2.75, 35 - \$2.75, 36 - \$2.60, 37 - \$2.75, 38 - \$2.60, 39 - \$2.75, 40 - \$2.75. Total = \$224.05. 10% to IOWMC = \$22.40. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

PENNSYLVANIA FLATS

Adams County, 1950, Sesquicentennial – complete set of 5 (MB \$12.50)
 Akron, 1970, Diamond Jubilee – complete set of 3 (MB \$5.00)
 Ambler, 1938, Golden Jubilee – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
 Apolla, 1941, Quasqui-Centennial, Public Schools – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
 Apolla, 1941, Quasqui-Centennial, Apollo Steel – complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
 Berks County, 1976, USA Bicentennial (MB \$1.50)
 Berwick, 1936, Sesquicentennial (**First official issue for PA**) – complete set of 3 (MB (\$25.00)
 Blair County, 1946, Centennial – complete set of 3 (MB \$10.00)
 Bloomsburg, 1952, Sesquicentennial - 5¢ Red B,L,O,O,M,S,B,U,G (MB \$22.50)
 Bloomsburg, 1952, Sesquicentennial - 10¢ Green B,L,O,O,M,S,B,U,G (MB \$22.50)
 Bloomsburg, 1952, Sesquicentennial – 25¢ Blue Complete B,L,O,O,M,S,B,U,R,G (MB \$75.00)
 Bloomsburg, 1952, Sesquicentennial - 2nd Issue, 5¢, Red (MB \$2.50)
 Brackenridge, 1951, Golden Jubilee – Complete set of 15 (MB \$37.50)
 Bridgeville, 1951, Golden Jubilee – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
 Butler County, 1950, Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
 California, 1949, Centennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
 Canonsburg, 1952, Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$10.50)
 Carbondale, 1951, Centennial – Complete set of 9 (MB \$75.00)
 Charleroi, 1940, 50th Anniversary – Complete set of 2 (MB \$7.50)
 Clearfield County, 1954, Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
 Coatesville, 1939, 225th Anniversary – Complete set of 3 (MB \$10.50)
 Columbia, 1938, Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 2 (MB \$10.00)
 Conshohocken, 1950, Centennial – Complete set of 5 (MB 12.50)
 Coraopolis, 1937, Semicentennial, 5¢, Green (MB \$15.00)
 Dallastown, 1966, Fair – Complete set of 2 (Multiple sets to sell at \$2.00 per set)
 Dallastown, 1967, Fair – Complete set of 5 (Multiple sets to sell at \$5.00 per set)
 Donora, 1941, 40th Anniversary – Complete set of 4 (MB \$10.00)
 Doylestown, 1938, Centennial – Complete set of 6 (MB \$35.00)
 Dunmore Borough, 1937, 75th Anniversary, 5¢, Blue (MB \$4.00)
 Ellwood City, 1942, Golden Jubilee – Complete set of 4 (MB \$10.00)

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on September 30, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors.
Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the seller in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



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Dear Members,

I thank everyone who wrote and called in the past month. Your input is appreciated and helps to make the organization strive to new heights.

Now that summer is over the local coin clubs are meeting again. I belong to the South Shore Coin Club and every month we have a 15 minute presentation on some numismatic area and several 2 minute presentations on what members have run into in their collecting area since the last meeting. During the October meeting I will be making a 15 minute presentation on Wisconsin wooden money and several members mentioned that they will be bringing their children. What a wonderful way to make an impact and get the word out. In the coming months I plan to make 2 minute presentations on various wooden money issues to keep the idea fresh in member's minds. If your club meets within an hour or so of the Milwaukee area let me know and I'll visit your club to make a presentation. Meanwhile, everyone should have the same opportunity at their local club. Have you made a presentation lately?

I have added quite a few woods to my collection lately and I look forward to the Milwaukee Numismatic Association's coin show this coming Sunday. It's amazing what you can find. Usually there are binders full of officials for 50¢ each. Remember that coin dealers don't have access to the Guide Book and generally don't know what wooden money is worth. It also provides an opportunity to you to "educate" dealers on their value and maybe even to sell some of your extras.

September 11th is coming up quickly and I hope that you have not forgotten how easily our liberties can be taken from us. Thank a vet! If you live in an area where they allow early absentee voting get ready and vote.

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EDITOR'S REPORT

The best way to add to your collection is to network with other collectors. A membership list is available from your Secretary for an SASE.

I have been deluged with advertisements for new wood issues, want lists and items for sale. To the best of my ability I will list your ads for 2 months. Advertisements will be listed on a first-come, first-served and on a space-available basis. If you want to renew your ad please let me know.

Your editor screwed up again last month by not putting lot numbers on the mail bid. I am trying to resolve this by putting together some lists well in advance so that it gives me ample opportunity to look at them several times before they are posted. Thanks for your understanding.

I had a good conversation with member Allan Lacy who hails from Georgia. Allan collects Marietta, Georgia and collects mainly woods from Georgia. Based on our conversation I decided to write a number of articles about Georgia official flats in this month's issue. I have a number of articles lined up for the coming months and I hope that it addresses your needs. However, I am always looking for new ideas and would welcome your input.

Bill Snider said that the swap meet at Hermitage did not go too well. Larry White had a wreck He was not hurt, but he smashed up his truck. Al Schubert, who runs the show, had a heart attack. (Note that you might want to send a get well card to Al. His address is: 3925 N Ridge E #64, Ashtabula, OH 44004-4345.) As if that wasn't enough, they also had a storm in Hermitage that left them without power and phones for a while.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Nothing new to report.

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – October, 2008

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| Income | |
| Balance Forward | \$ 2542.32 |
| Interest | 1.37 |
| Raffle | 451.15 |
| Sub-Total | \$ 2994.84 |
| Expenses: | |
| Editor Advance | \$ 477.54 |
| Raffle Mailings | 53.60 |
| Sub-Total | \$ 531.14 |
| Balance Forward | \$ 2563.70 |
| Regular Savings | |
| Balance Forward | \$ 2595.88 |
| Interest | 4.34 |
| Total Forward | \$ 2600.22 |
| Life Membership | |
| Balance Forward | \$ 2565.64 |
| Interest | 4.29 |
| Total Forward | \$ 2569.93 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

GONE WITH THE WIND – ATLANTA, GEORGIA

By Darrell Luedtke

I was recently talking to Allan Lacy, an IOWMC member from Marietta, Georgia and asked him what his collecting interests are. He replied that it includes almost anything from Georgia and, more specifically, Atlanta. He was unaware of the Gone With The Wind issue and I thought that it would make a good article for Bunyan's Chips.

On December 14-16, 1939 the world's premier of the movie, Gone With The Wind, took place in Atlanta, Georgia. In conjunction with the premiere, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Gone With The Wind Committee, issued a series of 5 wooden nickel flats. Each of the 5 woods featured a character in the movie, including Ashley, Careen, Melanie, Rhett and Scarlet. The 1994 Guide Book lists these woods at \$15.00 each and I bought a set several years ago for \$75.00. However, these are cross-over pieces and are highly prized by collectors of Gone With The Wind memorabilia. I sold my set for \$750 and, more recently, a set sold for \$1,500.



ST. SIMON'S ISLAND, GEORGIA

By Darrell Luedtke

The first official wood issued in Georgia was on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of the founding of Fort Frederica on St. Simon's Island, Georgia. This celebration was held on July 2, 3, 4, 1936. A series of 5¢, 10¢, 15¢, and 25¢ flat woods were issued and were redeemable at face value if cashed at pageant headquarters on or before 5:00 p.m. on July 3, 1936 in Brunswick, Georgia. The key to the set is the 25¢ piece. These woods are very difficult to find and I would have to assume that the vertical grain of the wood is part of the reason because these broke easily.



OTHER GEORGIA FLATS
By Darrell Luedtke

CHARLTON COUNTY, GEORGIA

Charlton County celebrated its 100th anniversary by issuing a set of flat woods in 1954. The woods were issued in 5¢, 10¢ and 25¢ denominations. The celebration was held on February 14-20, 1954 and the woods were redeemable in Folkston, the county seat, until 1 p.m. on February 17, 1954.

COFFEE COUNTY, GEORGIA

Coffee County celebrated its centennial by issuing a set of flat woods in 1954. The woods were issued in 5¢, 10¢ and 25¢ denominations. The celebration was held on May 9-15, 1954 and the woods were redeemable in Douglas, the county seat, until noon on May 15, 1954.

GRIFFIN, GEORGIA

Griffin celebrated its centennial by issuing a set of flat woods in 1940. The woods were issued in 5¢, 10¢ and 25¢ denominations. The celebration was held on June 16-19 and the woods were redeemable in trade at any store in Griffin or in coin at Griffin banks until noon on June 17, 1940.

MILLEDGEVILLE AND BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

Milledgeville, Georgia and Baldwin County celebrated their 150th anniversaries by issuing a set of flat woods in 1953. The woods were issued in 5¢ and 10¢ denominations in both black and green ink so that a complete set consists of 4 woods. The celebration was held on May 3-9 and the woods were redeemable in trade at any store in Milledgeville or Baldwin County or in coin at any bank in Milledgeville until noon on May 2, 1953.

SPALDING COUNTY, GEORGIA

One of the more interesting and difficult sets of flat woods to collect from Georgia is the set of 24 woods issued by Spalding County, Georgia in 1951 on the occasion of its centennial. The celebration was held on August 6, 7, 8, 9, 1951. The woods were issued in 5¢, 10¢ and 25¢ denominations and each wood was imprinted with a letter which, when the entire denomination was collected, would spell out "S-P-A-L-D-I-N-G". Since there were 3 different denominations, the entire set consists of 24 woods. These woods were redeemable for face value in any store in Griffin, Georgia or Spalding County until 2:00 p.m. on August, 9, 1951.

VIDALIA, GEORGIA

Vidalia celebrated its 50th anniversary by issuing a single 5¢ flat wood in 1940. The celebration was held on August 8-10 and the wood was redeemable in trade at any store in Vidalia or in coin at the Brice Banking Company until noon on August 7, 1940.

WORTH COUNTY, GEORGIA

Worth County celebrated its centennial by issuing a single 5¢ flat wood in 1953. The celebration was held on October 19-24 and the wood was redeemable in trade at any store in Worth County or in coin at either Sylvester bank until noon on October 20, 1953.

SOME OLDIES ARE STILL HIDING

By Darrell Luedtke

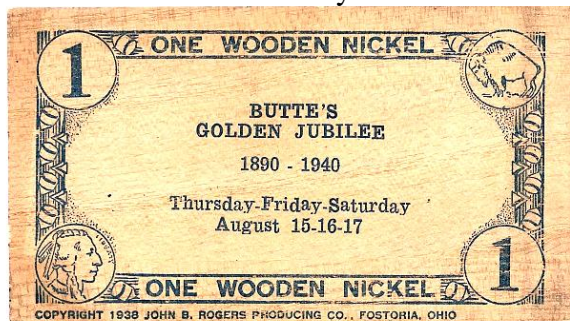
Someone once asked me what turns a lignadenarist on and I replied “finding something that has been hiding”. A couple of these old flats have recently been discovered and we want to share them with you.



Bill Snider recently found the above “Dakota County Fair” flat that was issued in 1935 by the Dakota County Agricultural Society on the occasion of the 70th annual Dakota County Fair. Some research reveals that a Dakota County Agricultural Society exists in Farmington, Minnesota and Farmington is the county seat for Dakota County.



Darrell Luedtke recently found the above flat offered on Ebay. The Guide Book lists a Cavern City Cavalcade wood that was issued in 1936. The above flat does not fit that description, but agrees in size and design details except that it is undated. Possibly issued in 1937? Who knows.



Darrell Luedtke recently found 2 of the above flats at a dealer at a coin show. It was issued by the Butte Golden Jubilee committee in commemoration of Butte's 50th Anniversary. Research found that Butte, Montana was incorporated in 1890 so the date fits.

BARNESVILLE, OHIO

Barnesville, Ohio has issued a set of 3 wooden nickels to celebrate its bicentennial. To order, send a check made payable to the Barnesville Bicentennial Committee plus an SASE to: Barnesville Bicentennial Committee, Box 487 Barnesville, OH 43713.

CASINO WOODS LISTING

Bill Snider reports that a listing of casino wooden nickels is available on the internet at:

<http://cashcoinconnection.com/Casino/USA/Other/Wood/CasinoWoods.pdf>. If this connection does not work, you might want to email: cashcoinconnection@yahoo.com.

DILLSBURG, PA

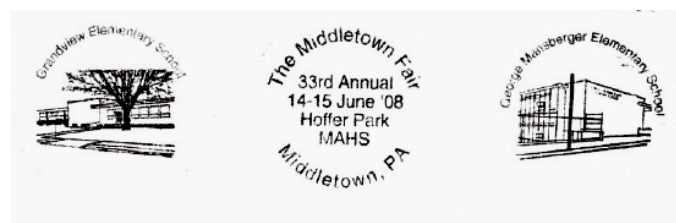
Gary Beckstrom reports that Dillsburg, PA celebrated its 175th anniversary by issuing an official wooden nickel. They are available for 25¢ plus SASE from: Dillsburg Borough, 151 S. Baltimore Street, Dillsburg, PA 17019.

BELLBROOK, OH FOR SALE

Complete set of 1966 Bellbrook sesquicentennial woods for sale. Set consists of 4 (black, blue, green, red). \$30.00 plus postage. All in individual plastic 2x2's. Wallace Krocsko, 435 West Pittsburgh St., Burgettstown, PA 15021-1083. (724) 947-5671

CHARLESTON COIN CLUB

Don Clifford reports that the Charleston, WV coin club has issued a wooden nickel for their 2008 coin show. The wood can be ordered for 50¢ each plus SASE from: Don Clifford, Charleston Coin Club, PO Box 65, St. Albans, WV 25177.

MIDDLETOWN FAIR

The Middletown Area Historical Society held its annual Colonial Craft Fair this past summer. Two wooden nickels were issued for the occasion, one showing the Grandview Elementary School, the other showing the George Mansberger Elementary School. They can be ordered for 50¢ each plus SASE from: Middletown Area Historical Society, PO Box 248, Middletown, PA 17057.

WANTED – BUY OR TRADE

John Hoffman is looking for the following woods:

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| BERNARD'S PHARMACY | (Gustine, CA) |
| CASTEL AERO CLUB | CASTLE (AFB, CA) |
| COTTONWOOD CLUB | (Delhi, CA) |
| DOS PALOS CIVIC CLUB | DOS PALOS, CA |
| RUBY CAGE | STEVINSON, CA |
| SALON RENE | (Los Banos, CA) |

Will buy or trade (name your price). John Hoffman, POB 723, Merced, CA 95341-0723 or mercedtokn@aol.com.

TRADE

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING OCTOBER 31, 2008**PENNSYLVANIA FLATS**

1. Elysburg/1970-1987/Veterans Homecoming – Complete 18 years, 54 pieces, all serial #127 (MB \$67.50)
2. Forty Fort/1937/Golden Jubilee – Complete set of 3 (MB \$18.00)
3. Fulton County/1950/Centennial 5¢/Green (MB \$3.75)
4. Greensburg/1949/Sesquicentennial/5/8” Bust – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
5. Greensburg/1949/Sesquicentennial/150 Years Seal – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
6. Grove City/1948/Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
7. Hummelstown/1974/Centennial of Incorporation – Complete set of 3 (MB \$4.50)
8. Huntingdon County/1937/Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$15.00)
9. Jamestown/1953/Centennial/5¢/Green (MB \$2.50)
10. Jeanette/1938/Golden Jubilee/Jeanette Bank – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
11. Jersey Shore/1939/2nd Annual Homecoming Week – Complete set of 3 (MB \$12.50)
12. Kempton/1974/Centennial/\$1.00 – Complete set of 4 (Multiple sets to sell for \$4.00 each)
13. Lansford/1946/Centennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$30.00)
14. Lansford/1976/Centennial/\$1.00 – Complete set of 6 (Multiple sets to sell for \$5.00 each)
15. Loganville/1970/Sesquicentennial/\$1.00 – Complete set of 3 (Multiple sets to sell for \$3.00 each)
16. Manheim/1941/Historical Pageant – Complete set of 3 (MB \$10.00)
17. McConnellsburg/1936/Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 2 (MB \$15.00)
18. McConnellsburg/1986/Bicentennial/\$1.00 (Multiples to sell for \$1.00 each)
19. Mercer/1953/Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 6 (MB \$15.00)
20. Meyersdale/1952/Fifth Annual Somerset Co. Maple Festival - Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
21. Middletown/1980/225th Anniversary/25¢ (Multiples to sell for \$1.00 each)
22. Monaca/1940/Centennial/5¢ (MB \$5.00)
23. Monessen/1948/Golden Jubilee – Complete set of 3 (Multiple sets to sell for \$5.00 each)
24. Montgomery/1937/Semi-Centennial – Complete set of 2 (Multiple sets to sell for \$5.00 each)
25. Montoursville/1950/Centennial – Complete set of 7 (MB \$40.00)
26. Morrisville/1954/Sesquicentennial 10¢/Cardboard (MB \$5.00)
27. Mount Holly Springs/1973/Centennial/Trolley Token – Complete set of 4 (Multiple sets @ \$4.00 each)
28. Mount Joy/1951/Centennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$6.00)
29. New Brighton/1938/Centennial – Complete set of 2 (MB \$7.50)
30. New Castle/1948/Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
31. New Freedom/1973/Centennial/\$1.00 – Complete set of 4 (Multiple sets to sell for \$4.00 each)
32. New Oxford/1974/Centennial/\$1.00 – Complete set of 3 (Multiple sets to sell for \$3.00 each)
33. New Salem Borough/1976/Centennial/\$1.00 – Complete set of 3 (Multiple sets to sell for \$3.00 each)
34. North York Borough/1974/Diamond Jubilee/75¢ - Complete set of 4 (Multiple sets @ \$4.00 each)
35. Phoenixville/1949/Centennial/5¢ - (Multiples to sell for \$4.00 each)
36. Plymouth/1941/Diamond Jubilee – Complete set of 2 (MB \$6.00)
37. Railroad Boro/1971/Centennial – Complete set of 8 (Multiple sets to sell for \$5.00 each)
38. Rimersburg/1939/Centennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
39. Roaring Spring/1937/Golden Anniversary – Complete set of 2 (MB \$15.00)
40. Rochester/1949/Centennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on October 31, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors.
Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the seller in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment



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PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

First and foremost, I want to set the record straight. Last month I reported that Al Schubert suffered a heart attack and that the POWMC swap meet was without power. This is what I was told just. Rich Boyles set me straight. He reports that Al has cancer and started chemotherapy. Meanwhile, he is staying with his daughter. I am sure that he would love to get a card from wooden money collectors. His address is: 3925 N Ridge E #64, Ashtabula, OH 44004-4345. In addition, Rich reported that the Hermitage area was without power 5 days before the swap meet, the swap meet went on without incident, everyone who attended had a great time and they were enthusiastic about next year's show. Thanks Rich.

I want to thank everyone who noted that I made a mistake in saying that September 11th is coming up quickly and that we should thank a vet for our liberties. I meant Veteran's Day but the thought is still valid.

I made a presentation about Wisconsin wooden money before the South Shore Coin Club on October 14th. I took along my personal collection of over 2,200 Wisconsin woods for show and tell and my presentation included flats and rounds, officials and commons, business and coin club woods. Each person in attendance was given an official flat, an official round and my personal business wood. Some members brought their children to hear about wooden money. Maybe my presentation was too good. My 15 minute presentation ended and then I answered 15 minutes of enthusiastic questions. Most members of the coin club were not aware of the extent of wooden nickels other than those issued at the local annual coin shows. The hit of the night was my December, 1931 Tenino wooden flat and my collection of over 200 Jerome Bruce hand painted woods. Later that night I was nominated for vice president of the coin club and I was also asked to make a 30 minute presentation at next year's banquet. NOTE: If you live somewhere near me I will be more than happy to make a presentation to your coin club, scouting organization or school group.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

Darrell Luedtke, President
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EDITOR'S REPORT

First and foremost, please be advised that Herb Hornung, owner of the Old Time Wooden Nickel Company passed away on October 20th. He is survived by a sister and a daughter and I have been told that they will continue to support Herb's love, the printing of wooden money. Herb purchased the Elbee Company from Louis Berkie in 1996 and turned it around by getting rid of the employees who were making all of the "Elbee Specials" (i.e., errors). In 2002 he erected the world's largest wooden nickel outside his firm and it is listed in Ripley's Believe It or Not. In 2007 his company printed 5,000,000 wooden nickels. I spent a week with Herb 2 years ago and came away with many wonderful wooden nickels. I am glad to have called him my friend and will miss him.

I have been deluged with advertisements for new wood issues, want lists and items for sale. To the best of my ability I will list your ads for 2 months. Advertisements will be listed on a first-come, first-served and on a space-available basis. If you want to renew your ad please let me know.

I received a nice letter from James Uline who suggested an article on the 1933-1934 Chicago Century of Progress World's Fair. During the world's fair they issued thousands of different types of souvenirs, including wooden money. It is interesting that no one has ever catalogued these items. I have gone to the annual conventions of the Century of Progress memorabilia collectors and bought and sold wooden money and marveled at how many other items are available. The article that Jim suggested is included on pages 3/5. I have a number of articles lined up for the coming months and I hope that it addresses your needs. However, I am always looking for new ideas and would welcome your input.

It is not too late to order your Christmas, Hanukkah and New Year woods but you have to hurry to avoid the rush. In addition, the Canadian printers have to order the die and then print these woods by hand. An article on ordering woods is on page 6. You can also use this article to order woods for other occasions in the future.

Again, Happy Thanksgiving.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Nothing new to report.

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – November, 2008

Checking Account

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|-----------------|------------|
| Balance Forward | \$ 2463.70 |
| Interest | 1.09 |
| Balance Forward | \$ 2464.79 |

Regular Savings

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|-----------------|------------|
| Balance Forward | \$ 2600.32 |
| Interest | 3.48 |
| Total Forward | \$ 2603.70 |

Life Membership

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|-----------------|------------|
| Balance Forward | \$ 2569.93 |
| Interest | 3.44 |
| Total Forward | \$ 2573.37 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

CENTURY OF PROGRESS, CHICAGO, 1933-1934

By: Darrell Luedtke



A Century of Progress was organized as an Illinois not-for-profit corporation in January, 1928 for the purpose of planning and hosting a World's Fair in Chicago in 1934. It was held to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Chicago. The site selected was the land and water areas under the jurisdiction of South Park commissioners lying along and adjacent to the shore of Lake Michigan, between 12th and 39th streets. Held on a 427 acre plot of land in Burnham Park, much of which was landfill, and bordering Lake Michigan, the Century of Progress opened on May 27, 1933. The fair was opened when the lights were automatically activated when light from the rays of the star Arcturus was detected. The star was chosen as its light had started its journey at about the time of the previous Chicago world's fair—the World's Columbian Exposition—in 1893. The rays were focused on photo-electric cells in a series of astronomical observatories and then transformed into electrical energy which was transmitted to Chicago.

This was the second world's fair that Chicago had hosted, and by the time it closed, it had been visited by nearly 40 million fairgoers. As was the case with the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition, the Century of Progress Exposition was conceived in an atmosphere of economic, political, and social crisis, shaped this time by the economic recession that followed America's victory in World War I, the ensuing Red Scare, Chicago's 1919 Race Riots, and Chicago's notorious gangster violence. These threats to social order led Chicago's political and cultural authorities to organize the 1921 Pageant of Progress along the Municipal Pier (Navy Pier). The festival's success in attracting over a million visitors during its two-week run inspired a diverse group of Chicago's business and civic authorities to propose another world's fair that would build confidence in the fundamental soundness of the American economy and political system. A decade later, the fair they initiated assumed national importance during the Great Depression, the nation's worst crisis since the Civil War.

Originally, the fair was scheduled only to run until November 12, 1933, but it was so successful that it was opened again to run from May 26 to October 31, 1934. The fair was financed through the sale of memberships, which allowed purchases of a certain number of admissions once the park was open. This was done so the fair would not have to be subsidized by the government. More than \$800,000 was raised in this manner as the country came out of the Great Depression. A \$10 million bond was issued on October 28, 1929, the day before the stock market crashed. By the time the fair closed in 1933, half of these notes had been retired, with the entire debt paid by the time the fair closed in 1934. For the first time in American history, an international fair had paid for itself. In its two years, it had attracted 48,769,227 visitors. According to James Truslow Adams's *Dictionary of American History*, during the 170 days beginning May 27, 1933, there were 22,565,859 paid admissions; during the 163 days beginning May 26, 1934, there were 16,486,377; a total of 39,052,236.

The "dream cars" which American automobile manufacturers exhibited at the fair included Cadillac's introduction of its V-16 limousine; Nash's exhibit had a variation on the vertical parking garage—all the cars were new Nashes; Lincoln presented its rear-engined "concept car" precursor to the Lincoln-Zephyr, which went on the market in 1936 with a front engine; Pierce-Arrow presented its modernistic Silver Arrow for which it used the byline "Suddenly it's 1940!" But it was Packard which won the best of show.

One interesting and enduring exhibit was the 1933 Homes of Tomorrow Exhibition that demonstrated modern home convenience and creative practical new building materials and techniques with twelve model homes sponsored by several corporations affiliated with home decor and construction.

The first Major League Baseball All-Star Game was held at Comiskey Park (home of the Chicago White Sox) in conjunction with the fair.

In keeping with the forward-looking spirit of the World's Fair, most of the participating countries combined modern day scientific accomplishments with the older arts. Some nations exhibited officially in response to the President's invitation; others displayed their arts, sciences, industries or entertainments. Countries that were represented with pavilions included Japan, Italy, Sweden, China, Dominican Republic, Czechoslovakia, and Egypt. Exhibits were presented by Great Britain, Mexico, Canada, Ireland, Luxemburg, Denmark, Norway, and Morocco. The 1934 fair had an impressive collection of picturesque villages from foreign lands and from long ago. There were the Spanish Village with its ancient castles, the winter Black Forest Village from Germany, the Old English Village, the American Colonial Village, the Irish Village, the alpine Swiss Village, the Italian Village with its leaning tower, the Tunisian Village, the Oasis Village, the Belgian Village, the Streets of Paris, the Midget Village, The Bowery, the Streets of Shanghai, the Dutch Village, and the Mexican Village. Exhibits and attractions included the Skyride, Hall of Science, Science Exhibits, Firestone Tires, Prehistoric Animals, Wilson & Co. Meat, Kraft Mayonnaise, International Harvester, Automobiles, Railroads, Air Travel, Mail, Foreign Exhibits, Pantheon de la Guerre, Colonial Village, Foreign Villages, and Ripley's Believe-It-Or-Not.

So what did it cost you to go to the fair? Admission was 50¢ for adults and 25¢ for children, 50 sideshows were 10¢ to 25¢ each, matinee movies were 50¢, Cubs and White Sox tickets were \$1.50, a day's ride on Lake Michigan was \$1.00, street cars were 7¢ to 10¢, golf green fees were \$1.00.

When the Century of Progress Exposition opened, numerous buildings and exhibits drove home the message that cooperation between science, business, and government could pave the way to a better future. With the Hall of Science serving as the cornerstone, nearly two dozen corporations, contrasted with only nine at the 1893 fair, erected their own pavilions and developed displays that insisted that Americans needed to spend money and modernize everything from their houses to their cars. Several model homes, including George Keck's House of Tomorrow, featured synthetic building materials and forecast a future where dishwashers and air conditioning would be commonplace household items.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt was so taken with the power of the fair to stimulate spending on consumer durable goods, and thereby complement the federal government's efforts to jump-start the economy, that he urged Dawes to reopen the fair in 1934, which the exposition corporation agreed to do.

The drive to promote consumer spending was also apparent in the multitude of entertainments offered by the fair. In addition to its Skyride, with rocket cars carrying visitors 219 feet above the fairgrounds, the exposition boasted an Enchanted Isle for children, an Odditorium with variations on old-time "freak shows," and various ethnic and ethnological villages. The hit of the Midway, and in many respects of the fair itself, proved to be a striptease show featuring Sally Rand's fan dance in the Streets of Paris concession.

Of note was that very few exhibits noted African American contributions to Chicago's development. To the contrary, several concessions, notably the Darkest Africa show, openly ridiculed African Americans, and most boycotted the fair even though the Illinois legislature created a law to outlaw discrimination at the fair. However, women's roles in society were ignored.

The Century of Progress Exposition sold thousands of different types of souvenirs, among them wooden nickels. Some were sold on the grounds and others could be ordered by mail. A listing of them is as follows.

1933

- 1 5/16" (33mm) wood
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Blue
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Brown
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Red
- 1 3/8" (35mm) wood
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Blue
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Brown
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Red

1934

- 1 1/2" (38mm) wood
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Blue
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Brown
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Black
- 1 3/8" (35mm) wood
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Black
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Blue
 - Embossed Indian, 5¢, Brown
- 1 5/16" (33mm) wood
 - Knock On Wood, NV, Black
 - Knock On Wood, NV, Blue
 - Knock On Wood, 50¢, Brown
- 1 1/2" (38mm) wood
 - Bust of Lincoln, NV, Brown
- 3" (76mm) wood
 - Buffalo/Indian, 5¢, Black
 - Buffalo/Indian, 5¢, Blue
 - Buffalo/Indian, 5¢, Green
 - Buffalo/Indian, 5¢, Red
- 1 1/2" (38mm) cardboard
 - Century of Progress, NV, Blue
 - Century of Progress, NV, Red
 - Century of Progress, NV, Blue on White

Christmas, Hanukkah and New Year Woods

By Darrell Luedtke

Avoid the rush and order your Christmas, Hanukkah and New Year woods now in order to receive them before the holidays. In addition, you can save this information to order woods at any time of the year.

Please contact any of the wood printers you wish, at once, in order to obtain their brochure showing designs, colors, shapes, sizes and price data on their woods, so that you can place your order as soon as possible. Mails are slow for packages and it takes time to print woods.

Round woods that are mailed should be protected by a thick piece of cardboard or a piece of a plastic "bubble" envelope or they may be broken by machines that process the mail. Flat woods need little protection and are rarely broken in the mail.

The bright metallic colors printed on woods, made from a thin foil paper on which the hot stamped process is used, are available from Canadian wood printers. The Old Time Wooden Nickel Company United uses colored inks to print their woods.

You might want to order several hundred of the stock designs and then add your name and year to the woods now and in the future.

CANADA WIDE WOODS

Canada Wide Woods, General Delivery, Gadshill, Ontario, Canada NOK 1J0, telephone (519) 271-3352 (Larry Walker) and (519) 273-1715 (Bill Cousins) offers round (1½" and 1¾") and flat (2" x 3½"), as well as woods in the shape of rabbits, hearts, country and teddy bears. Several different designs are available and flats are available in walnut/maple lamination and solid maple.

(In a recent update, Bill Cousins stated that due to major changes in recent exchange rates, the following prices can be reduced by 10%.) Prices for the rounds start at \$74 (printed on one side only) and increase up to \$85 (printed on two sides) for the 1½" rounds and \$78/\$90, respectively, for the 1¾". Flats are printed on only one side and start at \$85 (printed on one side, maple/walnut) and increase up to \$105 (printed on both sides, maple). The firm uses bright foil colors applied to the wood by the hot stamped process. Prices include design for one side only; add \$35 for additional design and die. The issuer chooses one foil color for the design and one foil color for his name, etc. All prices are for 100 woods and do not include shipping.

Their internet address is: www.canadawidewoods.com.ca.

NORMAN BELSTON

Norman Belston, 86 Hamilton Drive, Newmarket, Ontario, Canada L3Y 3E8, telephone (905) 868-9187 offers several stock designs for 1½" and flat Christmas woods. Norm uses bright foil hot-stamped foil colors on maple wood and 10 colors are available.

100 1½" stock round woods are available for \$40.00 plus shipping. 100 2" x 3" stock flat woods are available for \$60.00 plus shipping and the flats have 2 colors on each side. If you want your woods personalized with your name there is an additional charge of \$20 for rounds and \$10 for flats on the first order.

OLD TIME WOODEN NICKEL COMPANY

Old Time Wooden Nickel Company, P.O. Box 18362, San Antonio, Texas 78218-0362, two toll-free telephones (800) 750-9915 or (877) 464-2535 and fax (210) 832-8965, offers 33 stock designs including Christmas, Hanukkah, New Years and generic seasons greetings in their brochure for 1½" round woods. There is no charge for custom set-up of the sender's personal data on the reverse side.

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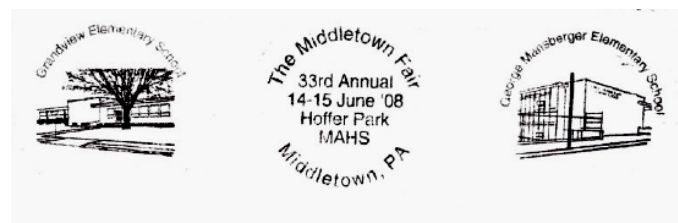
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| CASTEL AERO CLUB | CASTLE (AFB, CA) |
| COTTONWOOD CLUB | (Delhi, CA) |
| DOS PALOS CIVIC CLUB | DOS PALOS, CA |
| RUBY CAGE | STEVINSON, CA |
| SALON RENE | (Los Banos, CA) |

Will buy or trade (name your price). John Hoffman, POB 723, Merced, CA 95341-0723 or mercedtokn@aol.com.

TRADE

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING NOVEMBER 30, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the September mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 1 - \$12.50, 2 - \$5.00, 3 - \$7.50, 4 - \$8.00, 5 - \$7.50, 7 - \$25.00, 8 - \$10.00, 9 - \$22.50, 10 - \$22.50, 11 - \$75.00, 12 - \$2.50, 13 - \$37.50, 14 - \$7.50, 17 - \$12.00, 18 - \$76.00, 20 - \$7.50, 23 - \$12.50, 24 - \$15.00, 25 - \$2.00, 26 - \$5.00, 27 - \$10.00, 28 - \$45.00. Total = \$486.50. 10% to IOWMC = \$48.65. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

PENNSYLVANIA FLATS

1. Roxborough/1940/250th Anniversary – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
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ALABAMA FLATS

14. Cullman/1940/Cullman County Strawberry Festival – Complete set of 2 (MB \$7.50)
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16. Huntsville/1939/Monte Sano Festival – Complete set of 5 (MB \$12.50)
17. Opelika/1954/Centennial – Complete set of 6 (MB \$15.00)
18. Selma/1940/Bridge Opening Celebration-Historical Pageant/5¢ /Green)
19. Talladega, 1938 (125th Anniversary Battle of Talladega)

ARIZONA FLATS

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23. Tucson/1939/Fray Marcos de Niza Celebration (**First official issue for Arizona**) – Set of 6 (MB \$15.00)
24. Tucson/1943/25th Anniversary of Signing of Armistice of WW-I – Complete set of 4 (MB \$10.00)

ARKANSAS FLATS

25. Hot Springs National Park/1941/DeSoto Quarto Centennial (**First official issue for Arkansas**) – Set of 2 (MB \$5.00)

CONNECTICUT FLATS

26. Greenwich/1940/Tercentenary (**First official issue for Connecticut**) – Complete set of 5 (MB \$12.50)
27. Norwalk/1951/Tercentenary – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)
28. Stamford/1941/Tercentenary – Complete set of 6 (MB \$15.00)

DELAWARE FLATS

29. Edge Moor/1982/Tall Ships Festival/50¢/Green (MB \$1.25)

KENTUCKY FLATS

30. Paris/1939/Sesquicentennial – Complete set of 3 (MB \$11.25)

LOUISIANA

31. Bogalusa/1939/Silver Jubilee (**First official issue for Louisiana**) – Complete set of 3 (MB \$7.50)

MARYLAND FLATS

32. Cumberland/1937/Sesquicentennial (**First official issue for Maryland**) – Complete set of 3 (MB \$11.25)

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on November 30, 2008

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PRESIDENT'S WOOD PILE

Dear Members,

On behalf of all the officers and members of IOWMC I wish you a Merry Christmas or Happy Hanukkah and a Happy New Year. May you have health and happiness in the New Year.

It is that time of the year that we can reflect on this past year's accomplishments and I think we all look forward to what the New Year holds in store. The past year surely had its economic problems and it may have affected some of us personally. Who will forget 2008 as the year the stock market dropped 40%, congress bailed out failing financial institutions, people defaulted on mortgages at a record rate, and CEO's of the big three auto makers flew in company jets to Washington to look for bailout money?

Many of our members have had health problems over the past year and my prayers are with you for a better new year.

I want to thank Mr. Floyd Hartley, co-author of the Michigan Official Wooden Money book, for donating copies of his book to IOWMC. We are offering these as a fund raising effort. Please see the related article on page 3.

Again, happy holidays to everyone.

Darrell Luedtke, President

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EDITOR'S REPORT

I want to take time in this, the last issue of 2008, to thank everyone for their kind words and support for my literary efforts during this past year. It has been you, the members, who have been my inspiration to continue as editor. You have given me ideas for articles. Just give me an idea and I will write an article.

I talked to one member recently and he wanted to know what the background for the 1946 Nauvoo, Illinois Grape Festival wooden nickel was. He stated that he never thought of Illinois as being a producer of grapes. The article is on page 4.

Collecting wooden money is a great way to enrich your life. Have you ever wondered why a wooden nickel was issued? I thought about that when I ran across a semi-official recently from Peshtigo, Wisconsin. In researching this wood, I learned a lot. The results of my research are in the article "America's Most Disastrous Fire" that appears on page 5.

Everywhere I travel I take along wooden nickels and give them out to promote the collection of wooden money. The last article in this month's issue, on page 6, is about a personal experience that resulted in my most prized possession, the only official wooden money issued by the government of Chile.

Please note that the January issue may be a few days late. My son, who lives in Michigan, is getting married on December 31st and I will be traveling with family to attend his wedding. (Yes. I had a wooden nickel printed for the occasion.)

Happy holidays and Happy New Year.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful summer and getting ready for the holidays. We have one address change to report this month as follows:

Address Change:

Russ Daisley
7141 Whitford Street NW
Las Vegas, NV 89166-7139

!!!!DON'T FORGET ABOUT YOUR DUES!!!!

Also this is a reminder that it is time to pay your dues. They remain at \$7.50. Checks should be made out to IOWMC and sent to your secretary: Maurina Boughton, PO Box 1, Macedon, NY 14502. Thanks

Maurina Boughton, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – December, 2008

Checking Account

| | |
|-----------|------------|
| Balance | \$ 2464.79 |
| Auction | 151.44 |
| Mail Bid | 48.65 |
| Interest | 1.23 |
| Sub Total | \$2666.11 |

Expenses

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|----------------------|-----------|
| ANA Dues for 2 Years | \$ 70.00 |
| Balance Forward | \$3596.11 |

Regular Savings

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| Balance | \$ 2603.70 |
| Interest | 3.82 |
| Balance Forward | \$ 2607.52 |

Life Membership

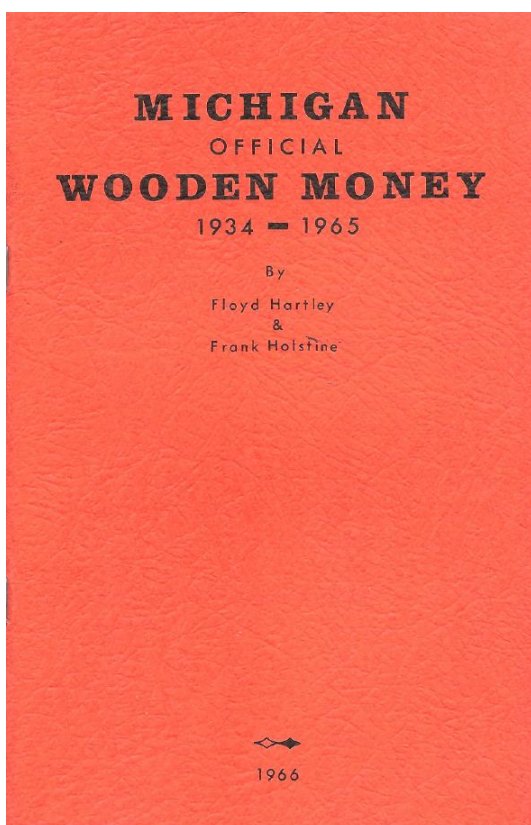
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| Balance | \$ 2573.37 |
| Interest | 3.78 |
| Balance Forward | \$ 2577.15 |

Del Cushing, Treasurer

MICHIGAN OFFICIAL WOODEN MONEY

By Darrell Luedtke

In the 1906's Floyd Hartley and Frank Holstine, two collectors of Michigan wooden money, decided to write a book on all wooden money that had been issued by Michigan cities. They contacted each of the cities and obtained copies of every piece of wooden money that had been issued by them. They collaborated with such notables as Tom Hudson and Steve Penzes to create a 40-page picture book called "MICHIGAN OFFICIAL WOODEN MONEY" that was published in 1966. As they state in the preface, "The wooden nickels illustrated in this work are from our own collections. Most of the wooden nickels are common, or easy to come by, but there are some specimens in the 'somewhat hard to find category.' The first wooden nickel to commemorate a centennial in the United States was issued in Fenton, Michigan in 1934 and it is difficult to obtain." In fact, there were only 20 pieces of the 5¢ Leroy wooden nickels issued and they are extremely difficult to find.



Escanaba
1947 & 1963

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FIVE WOODEN NICKELS
Hiawathaland Festival
ESCANABA, MICHIGAN
July 3, 4, 5, 6, 1947
FIVE WOODEN NICKELS
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FIRST NATIONAL
Redeemable
For Cash At
First National
of Escanaba
WOODEN NICKEL

| Hiawathaland Festival & 100th Anniversary | | |
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| HH 47-8 | 5¢ Black | (Wood Obv.) |
| HH 47-9 | 10¢ Black | " |
| HH 47-10 | 25¢ Black | " |
| HH 47-11 | 5¢ Blue | " |
| HH 47-12 | 10¢ Blue | " |
| HH 47-13 | 25¢ Blue | " |
| HH 47-14 | 5¢ Green | " |
| HH 47-15 | 10¢ Green | " |
| HH 47-16 | 25¢ Green | " |
| HH 47-17 | 5¢ Red | " |
| HH 47-18 | 10¢ Red | " |
| HH 47-19 | 25¢ Red | " |
| HH 47-20 | 5¢ Black | (Cardboard Obv.) |
| HH 47-21 | 10¢ Black | " |
| HH 47-22 | 25¢ Black | " |
| HH 47-23 | 5¢ Blue | " |
| HH 47-24 | 10¢ Blue | " |
| HH 47-25 | 5¢ Green | " |
| HH 47-26 | 10¢ Green | " |
| HH 47-27 | 25¢ Green | " |
| HH 47-28 | 5¢ Red | " |
| HH 47-29 | 10¢ Red | " |
| HH 47-30 | 25¢ Red | " |
| HH 63-31 | | |

2 1/4" x 3 15/16" & 1 1/2" Diameter

Redeem by July 2, 1947
No date given

Note that the above page for the Escanaba series lists 23 woods because no 25¢ blue wood with a cardboard obverse was issued.

I recently received a limited supply of these picture books from Mr. Hartley. They are available on a first-come, first-served basis at \$4.00 each, including postage, with all proceeds benefiting IOWMC. To order, contact Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132, phone: (414) 427-0391, email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com.

NAUVOO, ILLINOIS GRAPE FESTIVALS

By Darrell Luedtke

Nauvoo, Illinois is an interesting town with an interesting history. It is situated along the Mississippi River just south of the junction of the Illinois, Iowa and Missouri borders.

In the summer of 1805, the US Government established an agricultural school and trading post at what is today Nauvoo. By 1817 the Fort Edward dwindled was abandoned by the Army, the property was purchased by John Jacob Astor and the American Fur Company. At this place, many Sauk Indians came to trade for goods that would be needed through the winter. However, charges of mismanagement against the Indian Agent soon forced the closure of the post. Sporadic use of the post at Nauvoo caught the attention of a retired US Army captain named James White, and in 1824 he purchased the property from the government and began a permanent settlement.

By 1829 the area of Hancock County had grown sufficiently that a post office was needed. In March of the next year the area was given one, with Yale graduate George Y. Cutler as the postmaster of the three home settlement of Venus. In 1832 Venus had a population of 62, and was one of the top three contenders for the new county seat. However, Venus' hopes of becoming the seat were dashed when it was decided that a new town to be called Carthage should be platted in the center of the Hancock County to become the seat. Situated on the prairie, travel to and from Carthage proved dangerous. After one session of court was held, many of the attendees set out for their homes at night and became lost in the tall prairie grasses for days. When Cutler heard of this, he hired a Venus resident to plow a furrow from the settlement to the county seat. Though it wandered a bit in places, the plowed road served as the main route between Carthage and Nauvoo until Hancock County was replatted with roads according to the points of the compass. In 1834 George Cutler died, and one month after his death the name of the village was changed to something the now nearly 100 settlers felt better suited their plans for the future: Commerce.

In 1837 about 15,000 members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (commonly called Mormons) left their homes in Missouri due to the state's pro-slavery beliefs. 1838 a group made their way to the Nauvoo area and began huddling in the remains of the abandoned Fort Des Moines in the winter of 1838-39. A few months later they established the city of Nauvoo. Within a few years the population reached twenty thousand, which made it the largest city in Illinois. As time went on relations between Mormons and non-Mormons in Illinois quickly deteriorated. Joseph Smith, leader of the Mormons, was killed by an angry mob in 1844. Three hundred non-Mormons began to attack and burn Mormon homes in rural areas around Nauvoo. The Mormons formed a posse and retaliated. This violence was the beginning of the end for the Mormons in Illinois. In 1844 the Illinois General Assembly asked the Mormons to leave the state and withdrew the charter for the city of Nauvoo. From there, the Mormons left in 1845 to resettle in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The city has never issued a wooden nickel to commemorate its centennial or sesquicentennial. However, the rich bottom lands are well suited for growing grapes and the first vineyard was planted in 1855 by an immigrant Frenchman and the first winery in Illinois began operations in Nauvoo in 1857. Although their annual grape festival is no longer celebrated, the city did issue wooden nickels on 2 occasions. On September 13-14-15, 1946 they held a Grape Festival and issued a flat wood, worth 10¢, red in color. In 1987 they celebrated their 50th Grape Festival by issuing a round wooden nickel, worth 5¢, black in color.

Yes, my fellow lignadenarists. Behind every wooden nickel there is a story.

AMERICA'S MOST DISASTROUS FIRE

By Darrell Luedtke

You are probably thinking about the Great Chicago Fire. Wrong. It was in Peshtigo, Wisconsin. However, there are ties between the two.

Only a trace of precipitation fell on the area surrounding the Green Bay of Wisconsin between July and October. Drought in the vast timberland dried up the ponds, bogs, and creeks causing normal swampy areas to be dry beds of clay. The abnormally dry forest provided some benefits for the settlers. The opportunity to clear more land and step up the lumber harvest did not go to waste because the wood was needed in Chicago to build businesses and houses. (Did I mention there was a tie?) With the lumbering practices of the time wasting 1/4 of the tree during its harvest, large piles of sawdust and waste, called slash, built up through the forest. Small debris fires set by loggers and settlers burned unchecked. These fires were commonplace to the people living and working in the towns and saw mills.

The night of October 8 seemed like everyone previous with the glow of fires in the distance and black smoke in the air. Hot blasts of wind blew through time to time causing minor concern. A wind storm came that evening providing the last element needed for a huge fire. Warmer temperatures fueled the patch fires cutting the telegraph wires and isolating towns from each other. As the fires picked up they began to rage and burn together, all while moving rapidly. The heat of the blaze allowed it to move through some partially burned areas. Isolation of the farms and the speed of the fire caught many inhabitants unprepared.

A sound resembling a thousand stampeding cows or the "heavy discharge of artillery" preceded the horrors that followed. The thick smoke made it difficult to see even a few feet ahead. Out of the darkness leapt large firewhirls that twisted off tree tops while they burst into flame. Flames shot into the sky like lightning as the wind showered the landscape with fire brands, cinders and hot sand. The firestorm fed itself creating internal winds of up to 80 miles/hour. Papers and wood caught in the updraft traveled as far north as Canada.

Panic quickly settled on the fleeing settlers. With the flames moving so rapidly, people found themselves surrounded with no apparent escape. As families fled amid a barrage of falling embers and hot ash their clothes and hair would catch on fire. The heat burned many, causing large blisters on their backs arms and faces. Attempting to find refuge, families fled into sellers where they died from asphyxiation. Others seeking safety jumped into wells and shallow marshes where they were boiled alive. In Peshtigo terrified cattle stampeded over a group laying in a stream. Others losing all sense of reason tried to escape by running into large buildings, which burst into flame and collapsed. Settlers surrounded by flames in the forest laid down face first in the middle of clearings. For some it saved their lives. The majority of the survivors spent the night in rivers, ponds and the Green Bay. Those in the water could only have their heads above the water for a few seconds due to the intense heat, which caused debris to burn on the surface. For the victims consumed by fire on land, most were burned beyond recognition some even being reduced to ashes. A mass grave contains the remains of several hundred unidentified persons.

The Great Peshtigo Fire of 1871 covered over 2,400 square miles (the Great Chicago Fire burned 4 square miles) and claimed the lives of nearly 2,000 men, women and children (the Great Chicago Fire claimed 300 lives). The total destruction included entire cities, factories, mills, farms and hundreds of thousands of acres of timberland in two states. Yet, because it happened on the same day as a terrible, but far less devastating fire in a well publicized city to the south, little is known of this tragic disaster.

Although no official wooden nickels were ever issued by either Peshtigo or Chicago, in 1971 Schmidtke Distributing in Peshtigo issued a semi-official wooden nickel to commemorate the centennial of America's Most Disastrous Fire.

THE ONLY OFFICIAL WOODEN MONEY FROM CHILE

By Darrell Luedtke

Since my retirement as an Food Expert with the U.S. Food & Drug Administration, I do occasional consulting work. I recently took a trip to Santiago, Chile to train their food inspectors to conduct low-acid canned food and seafood inspections in accordance with FDA regulations. I spent 2 weeks training representatives of the Service of Agriculture and Livestock of Chile (SAG). The director, Francisco Medina, assigned 20 of his inspectors for the training. Since I have been to Chile in the past, I knew that their enforcement of food safety regulations was very good, but their interpretation of US regulations needed to be reinforced and that was the purpose for my trip.

During the first week of my trip I gave each inspector some official wooden flats and rounds and explained what they were for and why they were issued. They asked if Chile had issued any wooden money and I told them that I had wooden money from about 40 countries but I was not aware of any from Chile.

On my last evening in Chile I was invited to have dinner at Mr. Medina's residence where we were joined by Marigen Hornkohl, Minister of Agriculture, and Michelle Bachelet, President of Chile. At the end of the dinner Ms. Bachelet stated that she was aware of my hobby of collecting wooden money and that she wanted to set the record straight, that Chile could no longer be considered a country that had not issued wooden money. She then presented me with the only wooden money ever issued in Chile, a hand carved wooden replica of their 500 pesos coin. The carved wooden money is 158mm (6 $\frac{1}{8}$ "") in diameter by 13mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ "") thick. It features a bust of Cardinal Raul Silva Henriquez on the obverse. As it was explained to me, Cardinal Silva was a reformer of the Catholic Church who gave away thousands of acres of church owned property to landless peasants and was a hero of country.

Needless to say, I was honored by this presentation. I guess it pays to "preach" wooden money when you travel because you never know who may hear about it. The following are reduced sized copies of the only official wooden money ever issued in Chile.



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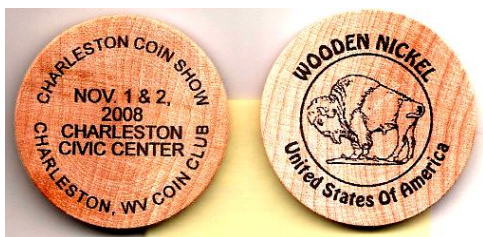


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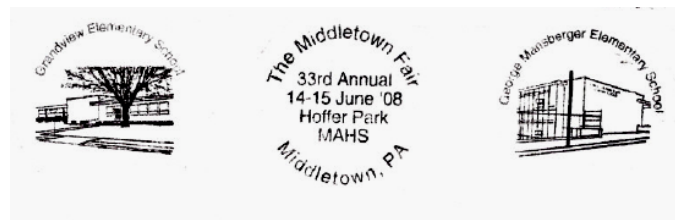
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| BERNARD'S PHARMACY | (Gustine, CA) |
| CASTEL AERO CLUB | CASTLE (AFB, CA) |
| COTTONWOOD CLUB | (Delhi, CA) |
| DOS PALOS CIVIC CLUB | DOS PALOS, CA |
| RUBY CAGE | STEVINSON, CA |
| SALON RENE | (Los Banos, CA) |

Will buy or trade (name your price). John Hoffman, POB 723, Merced, CA 95341-0723 or mercedtokn@aol.com.

TRADE

I have tokens and woods to trade for all types of Indiana woods: All types of Veterans woods of North America and all types of military woods. If they have the name of a military base, veteran's organization, VFW or Legion post on them I collect them. Send lists or Xerox to Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market Street, Delphi, IN 46923.

I NEED TO MAKE ROOM

I have boxes and boxes full of supplies. I have more than 1,000 used plastic display pages. Most are 20-pocket but I also have others. Free if you pay the postage. First-come, first-served basis. These are usually 60¢ each if purchased new but they are free for a limited time. Send requests to Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132, phone: (414) 427-0391, email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID – CLOSING DECEMBER 31, 2008

Note: Final figures are in for the October mail bid. Lot# - winning bid: 2 - \$18.00, 3 - \$3.75, 4 - \$7.50, 5 - \$7.50, 6 - \$7.50, 7 - \$4.50, 8 - \$15.00, 9 - \$2.50, 10 - \$12.00, 11 - \$20.00, 12 - \$4.00, 13 - \$30.00, 14 - \$5.00, 15 - \$3.00, 16 - \$12.00, 17 - \$20.00, 18 - \$1.00, 19 - \$15.00, 22 - \$5.00, 24 - \$5.00, 25 - \$40.00, 26 - \$5.00, 27 - \$4.00, 29 - \$11.00, 31 - \$4.00, 32 - \$3.00, 33 - \$3.00, 34 - \$4.00, 35 - \$4.00, 36 - \$6.00, 37 - \$5.00, 38 - \$11.00, 39 - \$15.00, 40 - \$7.50. Total = \$404.50. 10% to IOWMC = \$40.45. Thanks to everyone who bid and congratulations to the winners.

Minimum bid for all flats is \$1.50 per flat – buyer pays postage

1. IL/Rantoul/1954/Centennial/Centennial Issue/5¢/Black
2. IL/Rantoul/1954/Centennial/Centennial Issue/10¢/Black
3. IA/Washington/1939/Centennial/1889 Series/5¢/Purple
4. KS/Russell/1941/70th Anniversary & Prairiesta/Series 7/5¢/Gray
5. NC/Alamance County/1949/Centennial/Industrial/5¢/Blue
6. NC/Alamance County/1949/Centennial/Spinning Wheel/5¢/Blue
7. NC/Alamance County/1949/Centennial/Liberty Bell/5¢/Green
8. NC/Alamance County/1949/Centennial/Minute Man/5¢/Green
9. NC/Alamance County/1949/Centennial/Minute Man/5¢/Orange
10. NC/Alamance County/1949/Centennial/Pioneer with Keg/5¢/Red
11. NC/Alamance County/1949/Centennial/Horse & Buggy/5¢/Red
12. NC/Alamance County/1949/Centennial/Pioneer with Keg/5¢/Red
13. NC/Anson County (Wadesboro)/1949/Bicentennial/5¢/Blue
14. NC/Cabarrus County (Concord)/1949/Sesquicentennial/Special Issue/5¢/Green
15. NC/Cabarrus County (Concord)/1949/Sesquicentennial/Special Issue/5¢/Red
16. NC/Cabarrus County (Concord)/1949/Sesquicentennial/Second Issue/5¢/Brown
17. NC/Cabarrus County (Concord)/1949/Sesquicentennial/Second Issue/5¢/Green
18. NC/Cabarrus County (Concord)/1949/Sesquicentennial/Second Issue/5¢/Red
19. NC/Caldwell County (Lenoir)/1946/Homecoming/Celebration/5¢/Red
20. NC/Caldwell County (Lenoir)/1946/Homecoming/Gold Star/5¢/Orange
21. NC/Caldwell County (Lenoir)/1946/Homecoming/Gold Star/10¢/Orange
22. NC/Caldwell County (Lenoir)/1946/Homecoming/Purple Heart/5¢/Purple
23. NC/Caldwell County (Lenoir)/1946/Homecoming/Purple Heart/25¢/Purple
24. NC/Cleveland County/1940/Centennial/Complete set of 3
25. NC/Cumberland County (Fayetteville)/1954/Bicentennial/5¢/Red
26. NC/Durham/1953/Centennial/Colonial Furniture/5¢/Red
27. NC/Durham/1953/Centennial/Ellis Stone/5¢/Red
28. NC/Durham/1953/Centennial/United Department Stores/5¢/Red
29. NC/Durham/1953/Centennial/Official Issue/5¢/Green
30. NC/Goldsboro/1947/Centennial/Horse & Train/Complete set of 4
31. NC/High Point/1938/50 Years of Manufacturing/**First official issue for NC**/5¢
32. NC/High Point/1938/50 Years of Manufacturing/**First official issue for NC**/10¢

33. NC/High Point/1951/Centennial/Centennial & Festival/10¢
34. NC/High Point/1951/Centennial/Centennial & Festival/25¢
35. NC/North Wilkesboro/1940/Fiftieth Anniversary/Daniel Boone/5¢/Blue (damaged)
36. North NC/North Wilkesboro/1990/Centennial/5¢/Black
37. NC/Polk County (Tryon)/1955/Centennial/Polkorama/Complete set of 3
38. NC/Rowan County (Salisbury)/1953/Bicentennial/Complete set of 3
39. NC/Tarboro/1950/Athletics Dollar Day/\$1.00/Green
40. NC/Washington County (Plymouth)/1949/Sesquicentennial/Complete set of 6
41. NC/Watauga County (Boone)/1949/Centennial/Series B/5¢
42. NC/Watauga County (Boone)/1949/Centennial/Series O/5¢
43. NC/Watauga County (Boone)/1949/Centennial/Series O/5¢
44. NC/Watauga County (Boone)/1949/Centennial/Series N/5¢
45. NC/Watauga County (Boone)/1949/Centennial/No Series B/Complete set of 3
46. NC/Wilmington/1939/Bicentennial/Complete set of 3
47. NC/Wilson/1940/4th Annual North Carolina Tobacco Exposition/Complete set of 3
48. NC/Yadkin County (Yadkinville)/1950/Centennial/5¢/Red

Minimum bid for all rounds is \$1.25 per round – buyer pays postage

49. NC/Clarkton/1986/125th Anniversary/Buffalo/5¢/Black
50. NC/Cooleemee/1998/Centennial/Large Indian/5¢/Blue
51. NC/Gastonia/1977/Centennial/Seal/NV/Black
52. NC/Gastonia/1977/Centennial/Buffalo/5¢/Brown
53. NC/Locust/1969/Centennial/Small Indian/5¢/Black
54. PA/New Freedom/1973/Centennial/Souvenir Wooden Nickel/5¢/Green
55. PA/Railroad Boro/1971/Centennial/Series V/Engine/5¢/Green
56. PA/Railroad Boro/1971/Centennial/Series V/Box Car/5¢/Green
57. PA/Railroad Boro/1971/Centennial/Series V/Passenger Car/5¢/Green
58. PA/Railroad Boro/1971/Centennial/Series V/Diner/5¢/Green
59. PA/Railroad Boro/1971/Centennial/Series VI/Pennsylvania/5¢/Red/Error
60. PA/Railroad Boro/1978/7th Annual Homecoming Day/5¢/Green
61. PA/Railroad Boro/1978/7th Annual Homecoming Day/5¢/Red
62. PA/Seven Valleys/1967/75th Anniversary/5¢/Black
63. PA/Strasburg Railroad/ND/Large Indian/5¢/Black

All bids must be received by phoned, e-mailed or postmarked by 9:00 PM CST on December 30, 2008

Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391 Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com

- (1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors.
Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- (2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- (3) Postage will be paid by the buyer in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.
- (4) All lots guaranteed genuine. Any lot that is not as described may be returned.
- (5) If you overbid your pocketbook, ask for payment